MANY REQUESTS have decided us, the ONE DOLLAR RATE WILL CONTINUE to Washington's birthday. TELL YOUR FRIENDS!

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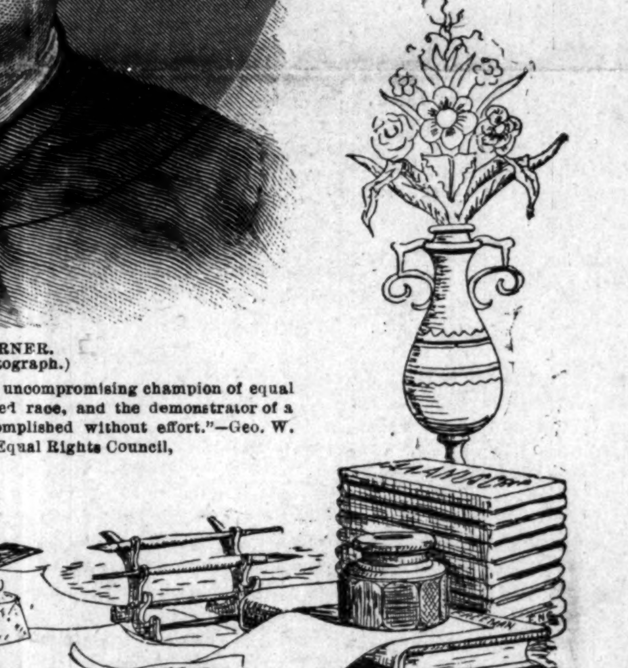
A Great Prelate, a Greater MAN, mark him well---the Race owns not a Greater.

BISHOP H. M. TURNER.
(From a a recent photograph.)

"All hail! A fearless exponent of Justice, an uncompromising champion of equal rights, the iron throated preacher of an oppressed race, and the demonstrator of a pungent fact, viz: nothing desirable is ever accomplished without effort."—Geo. W. Bryant, M. D., Philadelphia, Pa., Chief Secretary Equal Rights Council,



BISHOP TURNER TELLS

Just How Little Our So-Called "Statesmen," "Politicians"

And "Great Men" Care for the Race When Their Bread and Butter Is in the Balance.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

As I believe about everybody in creation, who desired, have had their say about our colored National convention, which convened in Cincinnati Nov. 28th, you will not think hard, I trust, if I should intrude upon your columns a bit, to say a little also.

Our Cincinnati National convention has justly been complimented quite extensively through the newspapers of the land, but has also been the victim of criticism contumely, and some of the most unreasonable and uncharitable falsehoods and wilful lies of any assembly that possibly ever met in this country. Anyone reading the misrepresentations that have been charged upon it by some, who have never projected a measure, nor ad vanced an idea for the good of the race, might have reached the conclusion that seven hundred spaniels had met in Cincinnati merely to bark and growl at each other and then disperse, instead of seven hundred cultured gentlemen in the main, to deliberate and propose plans, if possible, for the betterment of our condition in this country, where carnage and death stalks at large, and justice holds the scepter of outrage and degradation over the people of our race. And strange to say, too, that the two-legged asses who remained the furthest away, were the ones who knew most about the convention, and could detect the most flaws and could caricature it the most vivid and accurately from their standpoint.

What are the facts in the case? as they relate to the "Turner convention," "useless convention," the "unnecessary convention," "the convention was a failure," "African convention," "emigration convention," and many other names by which the convention has been called by negatives, croakers, fault finders and nothing doers in general.

The facts are these: For four or five consecutive years, I saw the necessity of a National convention, or for a series of State conventions, that would enter a protest against the outrages and injustices that afflicted, tortured, degraded and were exterminating our people, and causing groans and wails enough throughout the land to chill the blood in every artery possessed by sober reflecting mankind, but knowmy position as an ecclesiastic and feeling that I had served my day as an agitator, and being virtually 60 years of age, and remembering my career in the early part of the war when serving as a platform speaker for the enlistment of soldiers, white and colored, to fight the battles of freedom, and afterwards as a chaplain in the United States army, and my experience on the bloody fields of thirteen fearful battles and about thirty skirmishes, and since the war, as an officer in the Freed men's Bureau, a Republican speaker and organizer, delivering thousands of addresses and often speaking from three to five consecutive hours at a time, my labors as a member of the legislature and many other respects, besides incessant toil in planting churches in every direction South, and the many narrow escapes I providentially made from the klu-klux klan, white leaguers and the vengence of the assassin, when my life hung upon a mere hair, and knowing the criticism that had been waged against my outspoken sentiment favoring such an African nationalization by a portion of the American Negro, as would secure sufficient domain for the play of statesmanship by our children and children's children, as I saw no manhood future in this country without a change for the Negro, beyond a menial and a scullion—all of these facts and considerations conspired to impress me with the idea that I had done my duty to my race and to my day and generation, and that the remainder of my life should be wholly devoted to my church and to a preparation to meet the Judge of all the earth.

But finding that none of our politicians, so-called statesmen and great leaders, cared not the snap of a finger if the throat of every Negro in the land were cut, since they swaggered in luxury and found a government teat to suck occasionally, and run away from their constituents in the South in many instances, and rusticated in the North out of harm's way, yet pretended to be great representatives of the Southern Negro, when in fact, they did not represent a Southern frog, and could rarely ever find anything to write or speak about, but to oppose whatever somebody else had brain and race patriotism enough to suggest or project; and also, finding that the most that many prominent colored men of the North had to talk about, was to tell the Southern Negro to fight and die for his rights, but took care to keep their precious bodies out of the South, where they had an opportunity of practicalizing their theories and where proscription in one form and another confronts them almost at every corner, and finding that things were growing worse, and that race prejudice seemed to be on the increase, culminating in the Exposition at Chicago, and a National Exposition, too, snubbing the Negro throughout the land, prompted me to lay aside all ifs and ands, touching my age, and former labors for nearly two generations, and issue a proclamation of an intention of calling a National convention, provided it met the approval of any considerable number of the colored men of the country, whether they had been lucky enough to gain much notoriety of not, and the sequel was, that 307 letters, postal cards and newspaper editors said: "Call the convention, and call it at Cincinnati," which I did, and over seven hundred delegates attended. And in many instances, they were men of though and culture, who had the interest of their race at heart. Much has been said about this big man and that big man not being present at the convention, but they were not present at the convention called by Hon. Frederick Douglass at Louisville, Ky., in 1883—ten years prior to our Cincinnati convention, and Mr. Douglass is a greater man than the writer would be were he to live five hundred years longer. So it is not a question who calls our people to action and duty. It seems to be the curse of the American Negro, toa large extent, to care nothing for anyone but himself when he gets up a little. The moment two-thirds of us get out of the ashes, we are trying to be white, and they will speak as contemptiously of their own race as if they held no relation to them. That is one of the reasons I have long thought that the hope of the Negro centered in his own nationality, for I do not find this condition of things among the people of Africa, or anywhere the Negro is a dominant power.

The Cincinnati convention projected another measure, which I judge will call forth a flood of tirade and villification, that will be echoed through the land. It not only agreed upon an address to the American people, to the United States Congress, to the governors of all the states in the Union, setting forth our grievances and asking redress for the same, but it organized a National Equal Rights Council and provided for subordinate Equal Rights Councils in every state, county, city, town, village, locality, until millions of our people shall be organized into one great protective body, to fight and resist, under the law, mobs, lynchings, railroad discriminations, jury denials, ballot discriminations and every species of injustice entailed upon us as a race, by any state, corporation or in anything where our man and womanhood is not respected and our privileges abridged; and this National Congress, for that is what it really was, taxed every man and woman in the nation belonging to our race, one dollar or more annually, to raise a million or two dollars to rid the country of the evils complained of, and make it possible for the Negro to remain here and be a man and citizen, and there is no African emigration in it. For the Emigrational question was recommitted, to await and let us see if we can make it possible to live here as citizens of the United States, and enjoy the respect, rights and privileges accorded to other people.

Now I ask in the name of God, and all that is dear to us as a race, will this measure be fought too? Will a herd of stupid, ignorant, worthless, do nothing negatives bob up and try to howl this project down? The best ever proposed and the only one, or something like, that will ever unify our people, concentrate their efforts and enable them to accomplish anything in securing better conditions. If this proposition is opposed, foiled and non-complied with, after such a howl about emigration in any form, or to any place, then the American Ne-

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WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

To be Celebrated—Missouri State Institute a Grand

Success—Gov. Stone Speaks—The Banquet of the "Progressive"—Kindergarten Work Highly Praised.

Carthage Mo., Special.

All the teachers of Southwest Missouri attended the Missouri State Teachers' Association, at Jefferson City Xmas. The session continued three days. The papers presented by Profs. I. E. Page, of Lincoln Institute; W. H. Harrison, of Paris, Mo.; A. W. Wilson, of Ft. Scott, Kan.; E. L. Scruggs, Macon, Mo., were pronounced the best that have ever been presented to the association. Many other renowned speakers took a part in the discussion from Kansas City, St Louis and other places. Governor Stone favored the association with a short speech, telling the members of the association to spread education in a broad gauge manner. There were about one hundred teachers in attendance, who were given a free banquet by the citizens of Jefferson City. Over two hundred attended this great feast. There we were favored with excellent music and many fine toasts. The ladies of Jefferson City were then tendered a unanimous vote of thanks for hospitality. All places of interest were thrown open for the visitors. The Industrial department at the Lincoln Institute was the most interesting place visited. The sessions of the association were held in the hall of the House of Representatives. It was decided that the next meeting will be held at Sedalia, Mo., next Xmas. The very place for it since the George R. Smith college, for the colored youth, is completed, and by this intellectual gathering there, the school will be well advertised. W. W. Yates, of Kansas City, the great songster, should be mentioned. He was the life of the association. The leading schools of Missouri carried work to the association, which showed a steady improvement over the work of previous years. Carthage was by no means left behind. The neatness of the work and skillful stroke of the pen of room 3, was pronounced by the majority to be the most perfect in the room of display. W. L. Blake was complimented very highly for this work. The kindergarten work presented by Miss V. P. Sydnor, from room 1, was pronounced the grandest that has ever been presented to the association. This work, as well as the teacher, received much praise. Xmas here was spent quietly. Entertainments at the Bethel Baptist church realized $13.50. The Xmas tree at each church were laden with many valuable presents. The revival at the M. E. church is doing much good at present. Lincoln school opened Tuesday, Jan. 2d, with a full force, ready for five month's labor. It is making preparations to celebrate Washington's birth-day. Mrs. Tennie Blake is very ill. She took sick suddenly. Mrs. Thos. Hogans is recovering. Mesdames B. I. Turner and Jane Gee, of Springfield, Mo, visited this city during the holidays and were much impressed with the city. W. S. Blake and wife spent the latter part of the holidays at Granby. The banquet given by the Progressive Jan. 1st, was grand Messrs. J. M. Clendenon, Thos. Walker, Misses Hattie and Alice Walker visited their friends here during the Xmas.

Only Four Were Present.

Hillsboro, N. C., Special.

The citizens of color in this place were requested to meet at the court house to celebrate Emancipation day January 1st. It seemed like the tale of "forty acres and the mule," it is a by word on their lips. Amid ringing bells they crowded the streets like terrapins around a hole of water. Only four were present at the court house. What a shame! Our desire is that they will soon awake from their slumber and learn to worship at the altar of energy, intelligence and liberty.

GOV. PINCHBACK'S WARMING.

His Elegant New Home a Scene of Revelry and Pleasure.

Many and Distinguished Guests Present—Weddings in High Life—The Contracting Parties—Personals.

Washington, D. C., Special.

The holiday week in the capitol has not been one of exceptional hilarity, because Washington, as well as other large cities in the country, has had its quota of poverty and suffering, nor have the good people turned a deaf ear to this condition of affairs, but the eternal fitness of things makes marriages and receptions the necessary part of our life.

At high noon on Wednesday, the 27th ult., at the Fifteenth St. Presbyterian church, a wedding of one of our most charming young ladies and most efficient teachers took place. This was Miss Sadie Gaskins, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gaskins, one of the oldest and most respected families in the city. They should feel a just pride in the number and quality of friends who turned out to witness the noon-day ceremony, which was performed in becoming dignity by Rev. F. J. Grimke. Now, the happy groom in this affair was Dr. Lucius J. Holley, the promising young physician of Cairo, Ill. The best man was the genial Dr. John S. Outlaw, whose availability and excellence in this line has become a household word. The lady attendants were warm friends of the bride, Misses Rebecca J. Baldwin and Mollie E. Syphax. The ushers were Dr. F. J. Cardoza, Hon. H. S. Cummings, of Baltimore, and Jno. K Rector, president of the Bethel Literary Association. James F Pratt, of the Pension office, was on Wednesday night, in the presence of a few friends, united in holy wedlock with Mrs. C. Costin.

The social event of the week was a house-warming on the evening of the 28th, of which the following, taken from "The Post," gives a full description:

"Hon. P. B. S. Pinchback staid at home from the World's Fair last summer to watch the erection of the fine new house he was having built out on Bacon street, Columbia Heights, near the Chinese embassy, and as a natural result he has the finest house in the neighborhood—thirteen rooms, high-ceiled, and well lighted from the front and side. The plan was of his own designing, but he had an eminent architect to work the details out. It cost a bit of money, but the Governor thinks he has earned his right to enjoy life, and he has built the home in which he proposes to spend the rest of his years. In the basement he has put his library, a fine, large room, with the nooks and corners which invite a student to easily stretch his legs and read. Though in the basement, it is high, dry and well lighted. The whole house is heated with hot water. On the first floor are communicating parlors, dining-room and kitchen, with a broad stairway of unique and original design leading to the upper floors, where spacious chambers and cool, wide beds invite the weary frame to rest and slumber.

"The house was filled last night. The Governor was having a house warming in good, old-fashioned style, and about a hundred of his friends had dropped in to see that it was done right. Dancing was going on in the parlors, while in the library a fine collation was spread to cheer the body, and there was the wherewithal to wash it down. Among those present were: Hon. and Mrs J. M. Langston, Hon. and Mrs. B K. Bruce, Maj. and Mrs. Fleetwood, Dr. and Mrs. Shadd, Dr. and Mrs Francis, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A F. Hilyer, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs James Bradford, Mr. and Mrs R Terrill, Mr. and Mrs. H. C Bruce, Mrs. Colbert, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Hawksworth, Mrs. Somerville, Misses Shepherd, Davis, Smith, Wilder, Tucker, Messrs. Johnson, M. Somerville, A. Somerville, Wall, Holland, L. Moten, K Moten, E Bagby, C. Waring, W. E. Matthews, H. P. Montgomery, W. S. Montgomery, Howard Williams, Col. Turner, R L. Parrott, J. W. Ames, C. H. Harrison, F. K Davis, J. K. Rector, H Inge, B. Smith, A. J. Lopez, M. M Holland, John Smith, Meredith Bradford, W. McKinley, F. J. Cardoza, A Ridley and Frank Hyman."

THE MINISTER JUMPED!

Unlooked for "Crash" at a Fashionable Wedding—Emancipation Celebration.

Macon, Ga., Special.

On the evening of December 27th, at the residence of the bride's relatives, in South Macon, in the presence of a large number of friends, Miss Sarah B. Darby and Lewis W. Jenkins were made one by marriage. Just as everything was ready, and the contracting parties were about to face the minister and hear him pronounce the words "for better or for worse, for prosperity or adversity," the worst came, for the whole floor gave way and the people got a little excited as the organ with the lamp, and the table with the bridal presents turned over and destroyed most of the presents. The preacher asked all to keep quiet as possible and no one would be hurt. Everybody got out in good shape, still the minister made for the nearest place of exit, and found a window at hand, but as he looked out and saw stars above and stars below, he became considerably mixed in his astronomy and stood in wonderment for a minute, but finally decided to make the trip and soon found himself among the wash tubs, where he was quickly joined by his wife, who next had right of way. The bride not having enough superstition to cause a waiving of the exercises, the ceremony went on in the kitchen, where the friends soon gathered, except the preacher's wife, who remained outside admiring the stars above.

As usual, we celebrated the first day of January. After a street parade by the military companies, schools and others, all gathered at the Cotton Avenue A. M. E. church and listened to an able and instructive address by Revs. V. D. Jenkins, J B Borden, J. R. McLean and L B. Smith. Rev. W. C. Gaines offered prayer and Rev. O. Neill pronounced the benediction. Dr. E. E. Green, presided. We have had much sickness and many deaths within the past two months. Dr. J, H. Shufton attended the Medical convention and Colored State Fair at Augusta last month. Dr. Green expected to attend also, but was quite sick at the time. The work being great and the workman few, Dr. C. McCarthy remained on deck to pilot the fraile barges to ports of health. We are pleased to say that The Freeman, our best race paper, is becoming better known in Macon. Eugene Thompson, one of our prominent young men, is showing our people the paper, and informs them that the quickest and best way to post themselves upon all matters of special interest to the race, is to take The Freeman. I find it necessary to omit some things I promised to speak about in this letter, will mention in the next.

BOY FRIENDS AT COLLEGE

Tell The Freeman What They Intend to Become in the Battle of Life.

Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn., Special.

MR EDITOR:

I am in the First grade. I am getting along very nicely in school. My teachers are Miss Mabel Simpson and Mrs. Agnes Wait. I have decided to be a lawyer some of these days, if I live.

JOHN WHITE.

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MR. EDITOR,

DEAR SIR:—My studies are Arithmetic, Grammer, Spelling, Geography, Reading and vocal music, and I also have writing and the Bible, and I am trying to do good work. I am in the Fourth grade. My teachers are Mrs Agnes Wait, Miss Jean Robertson, Miss Hattie Kerr and Miss Hattie Shontz I think I will be a teacher some of these days, if I live and if the Lord will be my helper.

JAMES MYERS.

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MR. EDITOR:

I believe I will be a clerk. I am in the Third reader and my teachers' names are Miss Simpson and Mrs. Wait.

GEORGE WESLEY POLK.

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MR. EDITOR:

I think I will be a teacher. I am in the Third grade

ALEX KINCAID.

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MR EDITOR:

I am going to be an editor I think I am in Fourth grade.

WALTER STRICKLAND.

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MR EDITOR:

I am in the Fourth reader and I am getting along nicely in school. My teachers are Mrs. Wait, Miss Kerr and Miss Shontz, and I intend to be a lawyer.

CHARLES STRICKLAND.

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MR. EDITOR:

My studies are Geography, Arithmetic, Grammar, Elocution and Writing. My teachers are Miss Wishart, Miss Finney, Prof. Vance and Prof. Dove. I am in the Sixth grade, or the Intermediate class. There are about thirty students in it. I think I will teach for a while when I am older. I am 13 years old now.

BENJAMIN H. MORRIS.

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MR. EDITOR:

I am in the Fourth grade. I think I will be a doctor.

JESSE BARNHILL.

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MR. EDITOR:

I am in the Second grade I think I will be a lawyer.

ERNEST AUSTIN.

Our Friend Entertains Her Friends.

Leadville, Col., Special.

The Masonic banquet given by Pythagoras lodge No. 7, F & A. M., on the 27th ult., was a very enjoyable affair. The programme was as follows: Song, by chorus; Masonic oration, C. R. Robinson, G. M.; dialogue, entitled, "Canvassing Agent," by Mrs. A. E. Bohanan, A. J. Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tumblin; solo, T. S. Steward; declamation, "Rock of Ages," Mrs. Ed Tumblin; instrumental solo, Miss S. Henderson; sacred reading, Mrs. N. C. Cavel; song and guitar accompaniment, Edward Dixon; essay on three of the great points of Masonry, Mrs. J. H. Bohanan; closing song, by the chorus. The ball that followed lasted until a late hour. Mrs. J. W. Young entertained at dinner on the 28th ult Rev. J. H. Bohanan and daughter, Mabel; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Molly, A. J. Young and sister; Madams C. Furgerson, J Cave, Geo Holcomb and daughter; Miss Laura McCraven, and Messrs Edward Nunn and M. E. Robinson. Mrs. Anna Garrison has moved in the rear of 306 W. Sixth street. Rev. John Miner, of Grand Junction, was in the city the guest of Elder J. H. Bohanan, Jan. 1, 1864 Hezakiah Smith is on the war path over his New Year's present—its a boy! Mother and son are doing well.

THE NEGRO AS A FREE MASON

The Derivation of his Charter and History of the

Sentence "Free Born," Elucidated—The Growth of Masonry Since 1784—A Sholarly and Eloquent Address.

Editor of The Freeman.

Please allow me space in your valuable paper to inform your many readers how the members of the Rosebud lodge No. 64 F. and A. M., Manatee, Fla, spent the 27th, ult. The morning was spent making preparations for the street parade, which was to have begun at 3 o'clock, but it was 4 o'clock p. m, before orders were given to march! The streets were thronged with spectators, mostly whites, who were anxious to know "what air the niggers gwinter do." The parade was grand and elicited many comments from the leading white Masons of this city who, themselves, had just finished their parade. At 7:30 p. m, the entire craft, on a second parade, wended their way to the Baptist church for the purpose of installing officers and listening to an address from A. M. Manywether, W. M. A carrier had heraled the news all over the city that Bro. Manywether would speak, having for his subject, "The legality of colored Masons in the United States," and as expected, the church was crowded. More than two hundred whites were present, ladies and gentlemen, among the latter were, Hon. Josiah Gates, Mayor; C. V. S. Wilson, editor "Manitee County Advocate;" Hon. H. F. Wyatt, county auditor, and many other men of prominence. After the installation, which was very intelligently performed. Rev. Geo. W. Hawkins, Jr., P. J. W., in a few fitting remarks, introduced the speaker. Bro. Manywether arose, and in his usual masterly way, held his audience spell bound for about forty minutes. After proving that Prince Hall lodge of Boston, Mass., the first lodge of colored Masons in the United States, was duly established under a warrant of constitution, regularly issued by the Grand Lodge, of England, and that the African Grand lodge, from which all other lodges of colored Masons in the United States decended, was created by said Prince Hall lodge according to Masonic usages, he pointed in glowing terms the growth of our institution from 1784 to the present time; and finally settled the vexed question by impressing his audience with the fact, that the two words, "Free born" were used by the Egyptians to keep the Israelites from becoming members of their society. After the Israelites gained their freedom, the term "free born" became obsolete. Therefore, it has no reference to the colored Masons of to-day. The officers installed are as follows: A. M. Manywether, W, M; June Adams, S W; M. F. Oliver, J. W.; Cato Toots, treasurer; Charlie Savage, secretary; Aba Savage, tyler; Rev. G. W. Hawkins, J D; J. P. McMullen, S. D.; Strong Wilson, chaplain.

A BROTHER.

Sarasota, Fla.

NOW JUST READ

This Carefully—Surely This is the Truth.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

We are living in a progressive age, and are advancing with the age, of course not as rapidly as those less burdened, still with marked success. As we look back over the thirty years since the handicap of slavery was lifted from our backs, we are as much surprised as the rest of the world at the progress we have made in the race of life. As we look ahead we are agreeably surprised to see scores of our men and women marching in the vanguard of American civilization.

The careful student of his race's progress finds, however, two unpleasant surprises and asks himself for a solution. He is surprised to find that the race makes little or no progress in business. The German, the Italian, in fact all of our foreign-born citizens, are marching along the road of business with their eye fixed upon wealth. United they stand, treading with one another, thereby keeping among themselves the money they are obliged to spend for the needs of life. We, on the other hand, have not sufficient confidence in the honesty or business ability of one another to allow a $10 bill to pass out of sight in order that it may grow in the productive soil of business.

The key to wealth is business, and wealth is the "open sesame" to the race problem; two facts we appear to have overlooked in our progressive march of thirty years. The race student is greatly surprised to see how rapidly we are running in another field of achievement. We are turning out more "great men" to the square inch than any race, tribe or people in the world, which should give us a clear title to race superiority. The "Honorables," "doctors," "professors," "great," "leading," "elcquent" men we have produced in thirty years finds not a parallel in history. We have many men to whom these distinguished adjectives rightfully belong. We should, however, remember a few facts, viz: That being a ward leader does not make one a statesman, or teaching a primary school a "professor," likewise to be able to read or write the minutes of a club meeting does not make the secretary a "great" man. Every minister with two healthy lungs is not an "elcquent" D. D. By the same analysis we find many of our other "great men" unable to read their titles clear. Let us begin with the new year to make more business men and women, and less "great men" who are not great.

AUGUSTUS M HODGES.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jan. 1, 1894.

A Representative Endorsed.

Columbus, Ga., Special.

Miss E. B. Glenn spent Christmas in Birmingham, Ala., with friends; Miss P. S. Bailey in Macon, Miss.; A. C. Jimson with C. H. Hill's family in Smithville, Ga. P. G. Griffin, the wealthiest colored man in Lee county, also made it pleasant for Miss Jimson. Smithville, Ga., is noted for property owners among the Afro-Americans. I will say more next time.

We celebrated Emancipation Proclamation in grand style. Rev. W. H. Styles, one of the colored representatives of Georgia, orator of the day; Miss J. G. Thomas, reader of the Emancipation Proclamation; Miss A. B. Asken, solo; Mrs. Idella Hardin, select subject; Rev. J. S. Kelsey, opening prayer; Rev. Miles, closing prayer. Each rendered their parts well and reflected much credit to themselves and race. The Negroes certainly enjoyed this day. Any Negro that fails to celebrate this day should die and get out of the way. Mr., Mrs and Miss Bryant, of Americus, are visiting the family of Mrs. Eliza Terry. Miss Cordelia Lovett, of Griffin, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. T. Harvey; Miss French, of Americus, Miss Ida Jones.

As this is a new year, may this be the best year The Freeman has ever known. I, for one, intend to work for it and thereby help my race. Mrs. Ida Turner gave a grand dinner in honor of Mrs. and Miss Bryant, of Americus, Ga. I believe in giving honor to whom honor is due. Rev. E. H Miller was the first Negro to make the attempt to celebrate the Emancipation day, and after he got it on foot he seems to have been ignored. Why is it that we, as a race, will do such things? Who will answer? I think E. H. Miller's name should be given the most praise, for he certainly was the inspiration and founder of the great movement here. Who will second the move? What has been said cannot be contradicted.

PRESENTED A SILVER TEA

Service—Spent Christmas on the Farm—The Churches During the Holidays,

Oklahoma City, O. T., Special.

Prof. J. D. Randolph spent Christmas in Pott county visiting relatives. Miss Drucilla Dungee, formerly Minneapolis, but now one of our efficient city school ma'ams, spent Christmas with her parents on the farm. Married; Mr. John Jones and Miss Mary English, both of this city. Rev. N E. White officiated. J. C. Scott, of the Fort Worth Item, and Grand High Priest of the A F. & A. M. of Texas, spent a few hours in the city lately, on his way home from Guthrie, where he has been attending the Masonic grand lodge. J. A. Broodnax was elected Territorial Masonic Grand Master.

The holiday entertainments given by the several churches were all successful beyond expectation, both socially and financially. Mrs. E. W. Carruthers, organist of the A. M. E. church was presented by the church as a token of appreciation a silver tea service. Mrs. Carruthers said in response "Judge, ladies and friends, words are inadequate to express my gratitude for this mark of appreciation; I can only say that I shall do in the future as I have in the past. S. L. Jones and Thos, H. Traylor has gone to Wichita, Kans., in the interes of the Douglass City Enterprise, a new paper which they contemplate starting on the 1st, of February, 1894. Oklahomo City has stolen from Kansas City, Mo., two of her best and most prominent citizens, in the persons of Mr. and Mrs H. W. Wilkins.

WASHINGTON CHAPEL BURNED.

Palestine Temple's Coming Banquet—Railroad Association.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

The A. M. E. Zion church, better known as Washington Chapel, on Dearborn street, was on last Wednesday destroyed by fire; the church will be rebuilt soon. Palestine temple of the Mystic Shrine of masonry will give the grandest banquet of the season at Central Hall sometime in this month. John G. Jones will deliver an address on the origin and legal status of masonry among colored Masons in the United States of America, on the occasion.

The democrats are in power again in this city. During the year of 1893, 13 colored in this city have committed suicide. Mrs. Dr. Magee is on the sick list. Rev. Dr. J. M. Townsend, the pastor at Quinn Chapel, is making a great success of his work in this city. T. W. Jones, Esq., has gone East on a visit. Hon. John K. Primternille will be one of the Judges at the Harrison Street Police court.

Jefferson Pitts is considered the best colored cook in Chicago. The National Colored Men's Railroad Association has taken in a large number of new members. This association has proved a great benefit to the colored railroad men all over the country, and on three railroads in this city it was the cause and means of the men having their wages increased, and on two roads they secured a large number of positions for colored men. Sol. Chandler and his sister have gone to Atlanta, Ga., on a visit. Hon. T. T. Allien is one of the leading men in this city in the cigar and tobacco business The people here should not forget the bogus Home Life Benefit Association. This is the company that refused to pay Mrs. Payne's claim of $2,700 on the death of her husband, the late Wm. H. Payne. This association has got three agents out among the colored people for the purpose of defrauding them as they have done before. Mrs J, H. Shrene, of 3219 Armour avenue, is on the sick list.

RAMBLER.

"LEADERS" WHO ABSENTED

Themselves from the Turner Convention Scored.

WHEREAS, The Hon. Jno. Young was sent by the county of Chickasaw, state of Mississippi, as a delegate to the late National Colored Convention at Cincinnati, and

WHEREAS, he did go, and in the action and course taken by him, he reflected credit upon himself and honor upon his constituents, therefore be it,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention of and now assembled in the city of Okolona, and state of Mississippi, are due and hereby tendered him for the honorable manner in which he represented us in the Cincinnati Convention.

WHEREAS, In the course of the Convention our worthy fellow-citizen, D W. Turner, of Okolona, Miss., was elected a member of the National Council, domiciled in Atlanta, Ga., therefore be it,

Resolved, That we most heartily indorse the selection as a wise one.

WHEREAS, Bishop H. M. Turner, of Atlanta, Ga, has so wisely and so manly exerted himself in thought word and deed, for the benefit of his race in the United States of America therefore be it,

Resolved, That we hereby tender him this expression of our gratitude, and commend his course as we understand it.

WHEREAS, The leading politicians of our race, Hon. C. H J. Taylor, Hon Isaiah T. Montgomery, and a few others excepted, have remained absen and made themselves willful absentees from the Convention, therefore be it,

Resolved, That we disapprove of their absence in the discussion of such race questions for which the Cincinnati Convention was created; that in our judgment their absence is a demonstration of their indifference and want of sympathy for their race in its present deplorable condition.

WHEREAS, We, as a race, have some Caucasian American friends who are spending and being spent for our welfare, therefore be it,

Resolved, That we hereby and otherwise ask through our representative, the Chief Counsellor and his associates, to take into consideration the propriety of inviting those of our white friends who are able to give wise council, and are likely to do so, to participate in the deliberations of the National Council. We believe such a course would enhance our interest in more than one direction.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the New Light, of Columbus, Miss., and The Freeman, of Indianapolis, Ind.

D W. TURNER, Chairman.
H. M. THOMPSON, Secretary.

C. H. & D. Dining Car Service.

One of the first moves of D. G. Edwards after being appointed general passenger agent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton road was to introduce both the American and European plans on the company's dining cars, and it has proved a success, the operating of the cars in this manner paying better than the old method of $1.00 a meal. Mr. Edwards assigns as a reason for so changing the methods to a little incident which came under his observation: "I was sitting at a table in a dining car when in came a lady and her son, a great big young fellow. 'All I want,' said the lady, 'is a cup of tea and a bit of toast.' 'It will cost you a dollar, madam,' said the waiter, who naturally enough felt in duty bound to warn her. 'Well,' she replied, 'I don't care, I must have them.' And then when the waiter asked the boy what he would have, he said he did not care about anything. I thought they could not afford two dollars, but that the woman, who looked ill, felt she must have the tea and toast, and then it seemed to me that a system that made you pay for a dollar meal whether you ate it or not might be changed to advantage. And I think we will be the gainers by the change In the first place, people who cannot afford a dollar meal, and who never entered the dining car, will now come in and get something."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Where They Spent Christmas.

Level, Md., Special.

Charlie V. Monk spent Christmas day with Amos Washington, of Level. Mr. Monk's address to the teachers on Monday evening at St. James' A. M. E. church was very interesting. Mrs. G. A. David, teacher at Kirkwood, Del., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cannon. She is looking well. The fair at the Greenspring M. E. church was a perfect success. The music was enchanting. Miss Hattie Giles presided at the organ.

CAN'T GET MARRIED AT HOME.

A Situation Which Is Causing Betrothed Couples Considerable Annoyance.

A young man and a young woman came over the line from New Brunswick the other day and were married here, says a Calais correspondent of the Boston Herald. They had no difficulty in finding a minister to unite them, although they very frankly explained that they couldn't have got married in their native place in New Brunswick.

The reason for this seeming anomaly lies in the fact that Governor Boyd of New Brunswick is dead, and that every marriage license must be signed by the governor to be legal. It is true that it was Governor Boyd's custom, as by statute he was authorized to do, to sign quantities of these licenses in blank and to distribute them to the various officers throughout the province whose business it is to attend to such things, to be filled in as circumstances required.

Now, there is a very fine legal point involved. The question is whether, during the interregnum caused by Governor Boyd's death and until the Dominion government appoints his successor, these marriage licenses signed by Governor Boyd are good. Can they be used until a new governor is sent down, or are they useless as not bearing the signature of the actual governor of the province?

This is what is agitating the minds of the New Brunswick lawyers, and especially of the betrothed couples. They may indeed adopt the old fashioned method of calling the banns, but that takes time, and time counts when the wedding day is set and the invitations are out.

Perhaps they had best do as the aforementioned couple did—go to Calais, and thus make assurance doubly sure.

BIMETALLISM IN ENGLAND.

Lord Salisbury's Recent Speech and What It Is Thought to Forecast.

Lord Salisbury's speech in the upper house during the debate on Indian finance is regarded as a definite pronouncement in favor of international bimetallism. It is possibly destined to have momentous consequences. Sanguine bimetallists predict the early inclusion of their currency scheme as a plank of the orthodox Tory platform, but that is scarcely probable until the numerous Tory monometallists have been converted.

The subject acquired considerable prominence in the Accrington election contests, but that is scarcely to be wondered at, because Lancashire has long been the stronghold of bimetallism. Even the Liberal newspapers of that county are compelled, owing to the pressure of local opinion, to keep an open mind on currency matters, and some of them at present are giving considerable space to the discussion of the silver problem.

The Liverpool Post, an influential Liberal organ, gave prominence the other day to a letter advocating the adoption by England and her dependencies and the United States of a second, or silver, international standard, without relation to the first, or gold, standard, "all contracts made through gold currency being settled by gold currency and all contracts made by the international dollar currency being settled by the international dollar currency, the latter being the silver dollar divisible into 100 cents."—New York Sun's London Letter.

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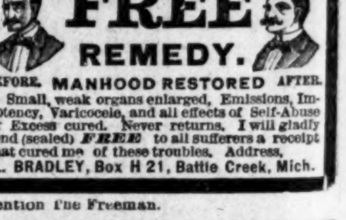

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IS HE PREPARING TO WED?

Teachers Wed, Love's Old, Old Story Teacher's Institute

To Meet—The Range of La Grippe—Killed his Man—Cause, Gambling—Social and Personal Notes.

Caldwell Store, Tex., Special.

I. M. Tucker and Mrs. L. V Taylor were united in wedlock Dec. 26 1893. Mr. Tucker is of Bastrop and Mrs Taylor of Columbus. She and he are teachers in this county. They were married by Rev. A. Brown, at the A. M. E church at Columbus. Quite a number of friends attended. Miss Emma Jones, while riding horseback, was thrown against a tree, and died shortly after.

The Teachers' Association convened the latter part of December. Quite an interest was manifested. Prof. C. O Hunter begun quite a lengthy explanation of Physiology, but time would not permit. He will enter into the full details at the next meeting. Every teacher should be there. The Association is a new feature of the educational work issued by State Superintendent Carisle. It is to be held three times in each year. The regular Teachers' Institute will meet the second Saturday of this month. Fellow teachers and friends, why not take The Freeman, the greatest Negro paper in the world, while you can get it for $1 00. It is certainly worth the price. I want to send in every teacher's subscription. Muggins' piece which recently appeared on the third page was a good one. (A majority care more for their bellies than their minds; give big dinners in summer and go broke in winter.) The la grippe is raging in our land. Many are down, some are dying. The following died in Bastrop0 Mrs. Jane Gage, Mrs. Lee Jackson and Mrs. Alice Ward, of Austin, brought to Bastrop county and buried.

Chas. Johnson killed Aaron Rector last week at a supper; cause, gambling. Johnson gave himself up. The Grand Jury found a bill. He is out on bond. Mrs. H. DeWitt runs a first class restaurant next door to Prof. Hunter's store. Prof. C. H. Westmoreland, one of Bastrop's old teachers, has finished a four months' school at Carigan, Tex., and returned home. He will begin a four months' school in this county Monday. You are in luck, Charley. Prof. J. S. R. Taylor has purchased 125 acres of land nine miles west of Bastrop, for which he paid $1,000 Is he fixing to wed? Mrs. Crayton died very suddenly at Cedar Creek; buried at Shiloh. Mrs. Craft and A. Jones, of Bastrop, have been down with la grippe; Mrs. A. Jones, with pneumonia; improving slowly Utley is a small but growing village, near Travis county; could be made a thrifty place; high and on the banks of the Colorado river; very healthy. Business is good. Good schools, 123 pupils; Prof. D W. Dunn, principal.

"How About the Weather?"

The Weekly Courier-Journal, published at Louisville, Ky., delights in keeping its subscribers guessing. In addition to being the greatest Democratic newspaper published, it has been a pioneer in enterprises that require thought and figuring on the part of its subscribers. The Weekly's estimating contest on the election in 1892, by which $14,400 in gold coin were distributed among forty-five guessers, is a sample of this. The latest guessing offer of this paper is on the weather—that one subject on which we all consider ourselves prophets. The Weekly Courier-Journal proposes to give $1,000 in cash to its subscribers who can name the coldest day in the month of February, 1894, at Louisville, Ky., and guess closest to the lowest temperature on this day. The contest closes January, 31, 1894. Every new subscriber who sends $1 can make one guess; and every old subsciber who renews, sending $1, can guess. Send for a sample copy of the paper for full particulars Write at once, as the time is short.

Installation of K. of P.

Arkansas City, Kan., Special.

On the 20th ult, G. W. Fuller, of Texas, and Miss Carrie Wallace, of Coffeyville, Kan, were married. On the 25th the colored K. of P. had a grand installation and a grand supper. On the 28th the Masons had a bonton supper, and a nice time. We are expecting Rev. Grant, State Missionary, on the 4th inst W. M. Hooker, our popular colored barber, has been down with la grippe. Miss Fannie Austin was buried on the 2nd. Born, on the 31st of December, to Mr. and Mrs. F D. Coleman, of 213 S Sixth street, a boy. He is a ten-pound thumper. Mother and baby are getting along nicely. Rev. Gambel, of the A M E church is holding a revival. It is finely attended.

"Mistle-Toe Bough."

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

A grand entertainment was given at the lovely home of Mrs. S. L. Porter, at 618 S. Cherry street, Nashville, Tenn, by the members of the "Mistle Toe Bough," in honor of Rev. C. B Wilson, pastor of Clarke Chapel M. E church. The young ladies present were Misses Mary Sab'na Johnson, Hattie Mai Branner, Powena Jackson, Ella Lenora Branner, Hattie Jessie Franklin, Jessie Lee Taylor, Bessie Clarice Porter, Hattie Pearl Nichol, Marion Lewis and little Maggie Porter, who was the instructor of games, all of whom are of the city. The gentlemen present were Rev. C. B. Wilson, of the city; Dr. D. C. Warn, of Georgia; Dr. H. G. Williams, of Texas; J. R. Moore, of Texas; C. A Terrell, of Alabama; J. E. Perry, of Texas; T. T. McKinney, of Texas; J. L. Bullock, of North Carolina; W R Settle, of North Carolina; —— Denwiddie, of Kentucky; B. F. Barlow, of Texas; J. S. Reed, of Texas; Ulysess G. Mason, of Alabama, and Messers I. C. Brown and Gibson, of the city. Miss Bessie Porter played her part well, as usual, in receiving and making it pleasant for all. The guests were welcomed by Mrs. Porter. The pleasure was made up of games, music and other things (save dancing), of enjoyment to young people. The Doctors say words are inadequate to express their enjoyment and appreciation of the hospitality shown them Invite us again?

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Union City, Tenn., Special.

H. D. Wells has opened a first class barber shop at Mosco, Ky. Quite a number of ladies and gentlemen were over from Hickman, Ky., last week to the mask ball. One woman was cut seriously at the hall. Misses Mary Perley White are visiting Obion Station. A colored man by the name of Rob't Singleton drew $50 at Gibbs and Davis' shoe store on a premium list and pulled for East Tennessee. Lee Williams landed in jail for fighting. The fire works at the Baptist church was well attended. It is more credit to read The Freeman than to fight. All the subscribers that missed The Freeman know why, it is because they failed to pay. Pay up and renew and everybody can read The Freeman each week. It will be delivered at your door every Saturday at 5 cents per copy.

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DELIGHTFULLY ROMANTIC.

A Stage Held Up and a Maid Carried Off by a Good Looking Bad Man.

A romantic case of kidnaping occurred the other day in the country back of Mazatlan. The stage between Rosario and Mazatlan, which left the former place, stopped at 1 a. m. the next day at Agua Caliente, where another passenger, a young and pretty girl, was taken on. She was Carlotta Newman, daughter of a poor blind woman living at Mazatlan. There were two other passengers, a man and a woman.

The stage left Agua Caliente at 2 a. m. and had gone only a couple of leagues when the driver suddenly reined up at a call from the roadside, where four men on horseback sat coolly pointing revolvers at his head. There was no demand for coin, and from the quiet manner of the highwaymen the driver could draw no idea of the nature of their demands. While one man held a gun pointed at the driver and another attended the horses the others dismounted, stepped to the end of the coach and courteously requested the young lady to come out. The girl recognized the larger man, a magnificent looking fellow, as Jose Valdez, her rejected lover, and divining the plot she begged the passengers to save her. Valdez warned them to do nothing, and as they had no firearms they dared not protest against the actions of the bold robbers.

After urging Miss Newman to come out without avail, Valdez and his companion laid hold of her and carried her to the horses, placing her upon one and tying her to the saddle. The girl's shrieks and tears had no effect either in hurrying the men or arousing their anger. When they were again mounted and ready to leave, Valdez turned to the driver and said calmly, "Go, friend, and excuse me for molesting you."

The driver lost no time in accepting the permission, and the agitated passengers inside did not breathe easily until they saw the party, with the girl in the center, gallop over a hill. The driver and passengers reported the matter on arriving at Mazatlan and gave the names of Librado and Bernardo Valdez and Rufino Zatarain as the accomplices of Jose Valdez, the first two being his cousins.

Valdez is a dare devil and spendthrift, and though of good family bears a very bad reputation. He was rejected by Miss Newman, who is a highly respected girl of American birth. The prefect of the district of Concordia, in which Agua Caliente is situated, has charge of a party of rurales searching for Valdez, and strong efforts are being made to capture the villain. His hiding place is unknown. News of her daughter's capture prostrated the mother in Mazatlan.—San Diego Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.

A THURIFER GUILD.

English Clergymen Agitated Over the Question of Incense Burning.

Two subjects are at present greatly exercising the minds of many clergymen of the Church of England—one is the startling falling off in their incomes owing to the long continued and increasing agricultural depression, and the other is the use of incense in churches. The latter is always a prominent topic of clerical discussion about Christmas time, but this year it seems to create more interest than usual, owing to the growing prevalence of the practice.

There are now so many servers, acolytes and other altar assistants engaged in lighting and swinging thurifers in the churches of England that they seriously propose to form themselves into a guild or society for the promotion of incense burning. The name suggested for it is the "Thurifer Guild." One of its objects will be a study of the history of the practice and the best manner of manufacturing orthodox and sweet smelling incense in an expeditious and economic manner. —London Telegraph.

The Congo Railroad.

The opening of the first section of the Congo railroad passed almost unnoticed in this country, chiefly because it is due to Belgian enterprise. But for all that, British traders already realize the vast possibilities involved and are actively preparing to obtain a share of the new trade. The road at present extends from Matadi to Kenge, and thence will be pushed as rapidly as possible to Stanley pool. The list of freight charges has been published in the chief European ports, and two British and one German steamship line have made Matadi a port of call. It is confidently predicted that a Congo boom is about to commence, and that King Leopold will soon be within measurable distance of reward for his courage and patience.—London Letter

The Singer Family Abroad.

It is extraordinary how the Singer family has managed to mix itself up with the aristocracy of France. With nothing but a huge fortune and a large stock of eccentricity the original old Singer married no less than 10 women, covering a wide range of position and character. He numbered his descendants by the score, and these it is who have managed to ally themselves with some of the proudest families in Europe. At the recent wedding of Mrs. Winnaretta Singer in Paris to Prince Melchior de Polignac there was a great gathering of the Singer clans, and they bore such names as Rochefoucauld, Decazes, Murat, Modena and Dudley.—Cholly Knickerbocker in New York Recorder.

An Old Goose.

It is positively asserted that a prominent farmer living near Ellicott City, Md., has in his possession a goose which has attained the rather astonishing age of 36 years. The bird was purchased by its present owner in 1880, and was then 23 years old. It is as sprightly now, it is stated, as any of the flock, and there is nothing in its appearance to indicate such an advanced age. In a discussion by several old fowl fanciers here regarding the ages of different birds it was affirmed that geese often lived to such an age, and even a longer period.

A NAIL IN HER BRAIN.

Kansas Furnishes What Is Said to Be the Most Remarkable Case on Record.

For six weeks Mrs. Frank Roadson of Abilene lived with a sixpenny nail in her skull. Remarkable as this story may seem, it is nevertheless true, and Mrs. Roadson, who is in her fifty-ninth year, will recover from this terrible ordeal.

About eight weeks ago a physician was called to see her, she being apparently suffering from paralysis or some kindred trouble. One side seemed deadened, and no amount of will power on her part could cause normal action. Electric batteries were applied repeatedly, and efforts were made to induce the paralyzed nerves to act once more, but with little avail, until the physician, thinking perhaps better results might be attained, ordered her thick hair cut off.

She objected, but it was done, and on examination a sore spot was discovered with the head of a nail imbedded therein upon the very crown of her head. An operation was performed, and to the surprise of the physicians present a sixpenny nail 2 inches long was removed. It had penetrated straight into the brain its full length, and an abscess had formed upon the brain because of its presence there. Two days later another operation was performed, the abscess was removed, and the patient is getting along well, apparently about to regain full control of her muscles.

The most remarkable part of this strange story was the discovery of the cause of its being there. At first she stoutly denied any knowledge of it being there, but at last admitted that she had herself driven the nail into her skull, pounding it down with a stone, for the express purpose of ending her life. Physicians say this is the most remarkable case on record.—Topeka Special to St. Louis Republic.

EXHIBITS HIS HEART.

This Is What the Subject of a Peculiar Surgical Operation Does.

Physicians of this city are receiving visits from an unfortunate citizen of Buffalo who has had a peculiar experience. Recently he called on a professor in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, who explained to a reporter yesterday the condition of his visitor as follows:

"The man had a disease of the chest some time ago and was operated upon by a physician in Buffalo, who found it necessary to remove a part of the chest on the left side, exposing the heart. The wound healed, but the opening remained, so that now there is a considerable hole in his chest. There is of course some covering of skin over the heart, otherwise the man could not have survived, but the action of the heart is observable, and one can put his hand through the opening in the chest and feel the heart at work."

The professor was unwilling to say much about the case, which he said was of special interest only to medical men. He said it was an extraordinary case and was worthy of being made the subject of a medical treatise. He understood that the man was traveling about the country exhibiting himself to physicians for a small consideration.

"He came to me," he added, "and I examined him and gave him a small sum. He then went away, and I do not know where he is now."

Another physician said that the hole was about 3 inches square and that three ribs had been cut in the operation. He said also that an opening similar to the one in the chest existed in the man's back, under the heart.—New York Sun.

A Chinese Exodus.

Prominent Chinamen on the Pacific coast are predicting a big exodus of their countrymen from this continent and all other lands to the Celestial empire within a year or two. They will go to be present at the big fair which occurs there once in 60 years and at which every subject of the great emperor tries to be present. "Hundreds of thousands, maybe millions, of Chinese from all parts of the empire and the world will be there," says Interpreter Pon Se of San Francisco. "All nations will be invited and everybody ought to go, for it will be the sight of a lifetime." The fair, he says, was founded many centuries ago and has been held regularly since. He is not sure of the exact date, but it is within two years. Great preparations are being made for it all over the empire, and announcement of it will soon be made to the world.—San Francisco Examiner.

What Was It?

A dispatch says a curious phenomenon was seen in the heavens by citizens of Wilmington, N. C., from 6:30 to 7 o'clock the other morning. It made a grand sight, but no one seems able to determine just what it was. Some describe it as a meteor and others as a comet. One eyewitness says it had the appearance of a large star with a tail, which to the naked eye seemed about 100 yards long. The end of it finally burst, leaving a trail of fire of many beautiful colors.

A colored astronomer says he saw the letters "W. W. W." distinctly outlined, while another avers that the word "Prepare" was there as plain as day.

Business Depression In Berlin.

The Berliner Zeitung enlarges upon the present condition of starvation in German industries. Workshops which usually furnish employment to 20 men have been obliged to reduce their forces to two. The depression is felt most severely in the building trades, including carpenters and cabinetmakers, but it also extends to others. The Christmas sales are reported by the shopkeepers to be small beyond parallel, only the cheapest goods finding buyers.

Fall of the White City.

Fifty carloads a day are now being moved from Jackson park by various lines, and at this rate three months more will be required to remove the World's fair exhibits. The railroads derive no revenue from this traffic, having agreed that exhibits brought to Chicago at full rates should be returned free of charge. —Chicago Mail.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION!

Too High Pressure.

In these days of keen competition in every line, when the business man is compelled to bend his intellect and every energy to the success of his business; the clerk, bookkeeper, professional man and laborer, to drive themselves at a terrific rate, there can be but one result—an explosion, which, if not resulting in immediate death, leaves them with shattered brains and bodies. They are running at too high pressure. The strain is too great. Something must and does give way. This is equally true of women. Though their sphere is more limited, they have their daily burdens, frets, and worries, and the results are the same as with their stronger companions.

This condition is growing worse every day. The rapidity of its increase is awful to contemplate. Our homes, hospitals, and insane asylums are full of these unfortunates, and are being crowded still further. There is but one solution of the matter. Recognize the importance of the situation at once, and take the necessary measures to overcome it. If you have failing memory, hot flashes, dizziness, nervous or sick headache, biliousness, irritability, melancholy, sleeplessness, fainting, nervous dyspepsia, epilepsy, etc., know that any one of them is but a symptom of the calamity that may befall you, and even though you have used so-called remedies and treated with reputable physicians with little or no benefit, give Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine a trial. It is the only remedy that may be depended upon for nervous disorders.

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In American history at no other time was the issue more interesting and important than when the right of states to secede from the Union was the paramount question before the people; nor was the tension less when, after four years of horrible war, four millions of slaves, because of a military exigency—a means to an end—stood forth in gladsome freedom. For the strong light of constitutional freedom, the strong right of constitutional citizenship, served only to bring out more clearly the abject unfitness of the slave for his new trust. The close of the war, it is true, left the Negro no longer a slave to man, but, though that was a long stride towards manhood and citizenship, he could not reach them while yet a poor, isolated, illiterate, helpless and almost friendless being. There needs must be years of acquaintance with freedom before he could dare call it his own or control even one of his attributes.

Skip a quarter of a century; after a lapse of twenty-five years, behold, in place of a beggar, a Croesus; the isolated surrounded by comfort; the illiterate dispensing the sweets of learning; the helpless reaching a helping hand to humanity; the friendless, the "observed of all observers." The most eminent historians are convinced that the progress of the Negro since his emancipation stands unequaled by any other race's in like period to be found anywhere in the annals of time. And yet small, envious jealousy cries out that the Negro "is nobody, knows nothings, and has nothing." The unchangeable record of history proves that, in so short a period as a quarter of a century, the Negro to-day confidentially asserts his ability to stand alone; and, moreover, is backing talk with indisputable evidence.

It may probably explain somewhat the phenomenal rise of the Negro to say that he has developed on the lines in which he could prosper, and has done what his hands have found to do. The lament that education unfits young colored men for the life to which environments bind them is a case of "great cry and little wool." An educated Negro, like an educated anybody else, commences to make circumstances, and to be master of them.

The substantial progress of the Negro is best illustratad by the fact that to day he owns farms, mills, shops, printing-presses, patents, manufacturing establishments, orange groves, coastwise vessels, hotels, ranches and stock. He is, to a very gratifying extent, engaged as a teacher, printer, broker, merchant, trader and speculator. In the professions he pleads before the very bench from which a Chief Justice once declared that "A Negro has no rights which a white man is bound to respect." Theology has not yet produced a more profound disciple nor the ministry a more erudite and faithful scholar than the late Rev. Daniel A. Payne, senior Bishop of the A. M. E. church The profession of medicine is very generally covered by colored men of intellect and integrity, and not a few of them rank high in specialties. In the journalistic profession the brightest Negro minds are found, each a splendid testimonial to the value of thrift and industry. THE FREEMAN, Indianapolis, Ind., the Colored American, Washington, D C., the Age, New York, and the Planet, Richmond, Va., are sheets which are stamped on the face with a motto of excellence.

FRUITS OF FREEDOM.

But these fruits of freedom are not the richest on the tree of Negro prosperity. In the markets of the world no inconsiderable calculation measures the Negro's important part. From carefully culled statistics, clipped from current literature for the past twenty years, it is an authentic fact that, in Louisiana, the colored population pays 25 per cent. of all the taxes. In that most dreaded of all slave states, Georgia, the former slave class owns $8,000,000 in real property. Even the statistics of South Carolina reveal ten millions of property in the names of her former bondsmen. Alabama, which includes the heart of the "Black Belt," accredits twelve millions of dollars of taxable property to its unrecognized citizens. In all the United States, $250,000,000 Is he who pays the taxes on that amount of property nobody? Can it be said, in defiance and in the face of these facts, that the Negro cannot get out of the rut into which he drifted from slavery? It does not appear so, at least.

Nor can it be said with impunity that the Negro does not tip the balance in the South. This section has never boasted of any great manufacturing interests, although we are told that it is rich and abundant in minerals and precious ores. On the contrary, it seems only to thrive as an agricultural section, and, for this reason, must depend upon Negro labor for results. Thus, now, as before the war, the cotton crop is largely the product of black men's labor. Can so indispensable a necessity to the South be said to "know nothing?"

Strange enough, however, by far the greater portion of the wealth among Negroes has been amassed by individuals who, either by fortuitous circumstances, or by unusual thrift and business sagacity, have successfully wooed the fickle goddess. In Marysville, Cal., twelve colored citizens own ranches valued at $180,000, besides owning the signature which controls comfortable bank accounts. In San Francisco a colored woman owns eight houses, a ranch near San Mattee, and $100,000 in government bonds. Twenty-seven colored citizens of Missouri have accumulated a fortune of $1,000,000, in amounts ranging from $20,000 to $500,000. By retrieving several severe financial losses, A. G. White, of St. Louis, a noted purveyor, has acquired a capital of $30,000. In the former hot-bed of slavery, Kentucky, Negroes own 200,000 acres of land, 8,000 town lots and 52,000 head of stock, the whole valued at 4,000 000. Nor has the acquirement of wealth by Negroes been confined to the late slave-holding states. In eight counties of Iowa they own property estimated to be worth $750,000, a per capita of $200 as against $164 in the former slave states.

The familiar "pickaninny" may yet delight in licking sugar barrels on the levees of Louisiana, but it may not be so rarely that a Negro owns the barrel. For, in that state, the colored population pay taxes on $30,000,000 and has extensive interests in sugar plantations, dry goods, grocery and other establishments. One would hardly expect to find a Negro mechanic flourishiug in that state; but there is one, and a wealthy one at that. Mr. J. T. Allain is a levee contractor and employs from three to four hundred men of both races. The beautiful Pickwick Club building in New Orleans was constructed by colored mechanics at a cost of $190,000 Some years ago there was erected on Canal street, New Orleans, a magnificent building, owned and designed by colored men. This and the Pickwick Club building are conceded to be the handsomest edifices in the Crescent City. Incidentally can the Negro be anything but a menial?

INDIVIDUAL WEALTH.

The late Dr. P. A. White, a prominent druggist, of New York, left an estate valued at $6,000,000; he used to do an annual business of $200 000. In Washington, D. C., thirty or forty colored residents own a million dollars. In Baltimore there are nineteen who are estimated to be worth a million also. In the city of Brotherly Love, Mr. John McKee is said to own four hundred houses, and other property, worth in all a half million. Mr. Isaiah C. Wears, of the same city, has a very comfortable bank account, and has, for the past twenty years, bought a house each year. Richard Grunt and Mrs. John Jones, of Chicago, are each worth $70,000. These are all individual effort, and furnish abundant evidence to certify the progress of the race since emancipation. But read more: In South Carolina Negroes own about $6,000,000 in town and city property, and about $4 000 000 more in farms and live stock. In the Savings Bank at Charleston, S. C., there are to the credit of colored depositors about $125,000. Two colored banks in Washington, D. C., have been able to stand through the late financial panic.

These achievements in themselves may not be marvelous, but they are the facts which are the foundation stones for the beautiful superstructure of prosperity which, in another quarter of a century, the Negro will surely rear. From another source it is called to mind that Philip King, of Montgomery, Ala., planned and constructed a bridge across the Chattahoochie river at Columbus, Ga., and another bridge across the same river at Eufaula. Messrs. Fowlkes & Robinson, of Birmingham, are the owners of a coal mine in that section. Those who discuss the tariff, and especially the tariff on tin, may not be aware that the largest tin manufactory in Alabama is owned by a colored man and his sons (F. Gomex), whose real property, it is estimated, is worth $100,000. In Nashville, Tenn., colored men own and operate a broom factory. Felix Andre, of Mobile, Ala., is a contractor and builder; he owns his own establishment and employs colored mechanics only. The hall and chapel of the Catholic Jesuit fathers at Spring Hill College, Mobile, are monuments to his mechanical and architectural skill.

Forty-eight million dollars recently came into the hands of the Lincoln family of Dallas, Tex., and, since there are but six of them, each will have a snug eight million to start life on. In Michigan colored men may be found in all the professions and trades. Among their possessions are two lumber mills, one organ factory and one machine shop for making agricultural implements.

The is no record kept whether a patantee be a white man or not, but it is a we l known fact that Elijah McCoy, of Detroit, who has twenty eight patents for useful contrivances, is a colored man. His patent lubricator for steam engines has won its way into general use both in this country and in Europe. Granville T. Wood, of Columbus, O., inventor of the synchronous multiplex railway telegraph, by means of which a train dispatcher can note the position of any train on the road at a glance, is also a colored man, and his patent is a very valuable one.

These several individuals and communities which have been mentioned are, to some extent, exceptional; but it must not be inferred that they cover the whole of what the colored people of this country have achieved since their emancipation. If any one can use these facts to prove that the Negro "is nobody, knows nothing and has nothing," despair will overcome him who tries to convince him otherwise.

A WILTED flower, Gov. Flower, of New York.

THE race pessimist, calamity howler, is a race nuisance

IT is those who git up and git, who git up and git. See?

ITS mighty easy to offer advice, but the proof of the pudding is, practicing what you preach.

"BEWARE of the Greeks bearing gifts" Don't tear your coat believing where you have once been disappointed, thus frequently placing a preminm upon hypocrisy.

MISS IDA B. WELLS thanks her newspaper brothers, generally, for the chivalric defense made for her against the "office boy" of the American Citizen, Bro. Taylor disavowing personal knowledge or action in the matter, and now gentlemen, for God's sake, let the matter drop, lest your ivanhoish zeal become quixotic in the end.

THAT was a good example set by ex-Speaker Reed, by refusing to be banqueted upon the ground that what a banquet would cost, might better be used to relieve the necessities of the poor.

THE free and off hand manner with which many pastors turn their pulpits over to the use of strangers, enables many a traveling scoundrel to impose upon the credulety of the general public.

BY the way, what's become of the "good times" that was agoing to follow, you know, the repeal of the Sherman bill? Don't all speak at once please, and when you do speak don't monkey with the truth.

WAS it after all but a Cleveland bluff, the nomination of Brer Taylor and Astwood? It certainly begins to look that way. But think of all the good breath we spent praising Grover for his "noble act."

THE Southern Governors can put their hand on any amount of law to prevent two brutes from pummelling each other in the prize ring, but when it comes to finding it to punish Negro murderers and lynchers, its quite another thing.

WE surrender a good amount of our editorial space this week to accommodate an observing white man's opinion of "The Negro American," as voiced in a letter to the Boston Transcript, which we hope every reader of THE FREEMAN will peruse carefully. Especially do we commend a thorough reading of the same by that class of race people, well meaning no doubt, but pessimistic, who can see nothing to be hopeful, but everything to be discouraged over, in the present and future of the race.

CANDOR must admit, that up to this time your Uncle John Langston's veracity sports a stiff backbone, while that of our wilholm friend Taylor seems correspondingly weak and "sort of flabby like." The minister to Bolivia has been rather inclined to treat with diplomatic taciturnity the many interrogations, etc., fired at his devoted head by the race organs, big and small, reminding us very much, when he has essayed to open his mouth, of that graphic description of a shipwreck on the "raging canawl," to wit:

"She heaved and sot,
And sot and heaved,
And high her rudder flung,
But every time she heaved and sot,
The wusser leak she sprung"

THE New York Morning Advertiser, Col. Cockrell's bright sheet, is a "leetle" hard on our neighbor, Gov Brown, of "Kentucky sah!" It says:

"Governor Brown, of Kentucky, in his biennial message gives evidence of possessing that peculiar bent of intellect which has kept Kentucky lagging in the rear in everything except stud horses"

Some years ago what a Kentuckian, a "rale old blue grass Kentuckian," didn't know about "hosses and niggahs sah," was a caution, but a man by the name of Abe Lincoln, himself a Kentuckian, wrote a state paper some thirty-one years ago that caused a wonderful change in the condition of the "niggah," hence, as per the Advertiser's musings, the "blooded sports" of the "blue grass" can mainly shine to day as authority on "horse flesh and corn juice," the "niggah" only being referred to when his presence is necessary to bring about a lynching bee.

DEMOCRATIC DEMAGOGY.

The action of the Ways and Means Committee deciding to report a personal Income tax bill is a straw that indicates the way of the wind, and from a Democratic standpoint is pretty good politics, despite the reported "heat" of our rotund Democratic president. It will be a splendid bill for its Democratic incubators and defenders, to make a great play to the grand stand, the "plain people" with, as giving them an opportunity to pour out their vials of long suppressed and virtuous hostility (in a horn) on the "selfish magnates who horde their millions," and incidentally the Protective tariff, for making the "rich richer, and the poor poorer." It will be a great occasion to array the "horney handed sons of toil" against the glove handed, silk stocking "minions of wealth," as being specifically favored, while they, "we the plain people, are the martyrs and victims of conditions abhorent to the spirit of fair play and equity that was intended by the forefathers to prevade the legislation for the people." Without wishing to be understood as ranging ourselves up on the side of aggregated wealth, that this bill is to be directed against, nevertheless the motives actuating the drawers and pushers of it are demagogical rather than patriotic, and it is to Mr Cleveland's credit, if the report is true, that he has concluded to antagonize his party relative thereto. There has always been, and will always be, a spirit of conflict and attack existing against wealth on the part of men, ergo the masses, who are toilers instead of horders, and it is to this spirit, the same that precipitated the French Revolution and the Chicago Hay Market riots, that Mr. Bynum and other Democratic lights propose to dance to in the name of party, the country, in the forcible vernacular of a deceased Vanderbilt, "be damned!"

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BISHOP TURNER TELLS.

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gro is a doomed creature, and extermination in some form or other as surely awaits him as the grave awaits us all.

However, if our National convention never does any other good, it has caused the legislature of Georgia to pass the most rigid laws against mobs and lynchings, making them murderers in the eyes of the law, and requiring them to be tried for the same, and if found guilty, hung.

Mr. Editor, this communication by no means expresses all I would like to say, but knowing the worth of your valuable columns, I will not intrude further upon them. H. M. TURNER.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 8, '94.

THE NEGRO'S FREEDOM

Celebrated—Eloquent Speeches and Patriotic Songs—Society Flashes.

Wilmington, Del., Special.

The 31st anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation was celebrated by the citizens of this city and vicinity on Monday, Jan. 1st. The Rev. W. H. Herd, D. D., delivered an eloquent sermon at 10:30 a. m, at Bethel A. M. E. church. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Watson, of Kansas. In the afternoon a meeting was held in the A. U. M. P. church, at which D. P. Hamilton, John Wise, Chas. Dolly, Thos. E. Postles, Rev. M. F. Sluby and others spoke. In the evening the service was held in the Union American church. Miss Annie E. Brown read the proclamation. The Rev. C. L. Jefferson, of the Gilbert Presbyterian church, delivered the oration. He was followed by the Rev. C. L. Jefferson and Rev. W. H. Guy. A committee of seven was then appointed to arrange for the next Emancipation celebration. A. B. McPherson Johnson presided; H. C. Robinson, secretary.

Miss Annie Gipson, who has been home for a short stay, returned to Washington, Del., a few days ago. The lady teachers of our city who spent Christmas at home and have returned to their post of duty are: Miss C. M. Sterling, Chester, Pa.; Miss Hemetta Marshall, Houston, Del.; Miss Annie E. Brown, Northeast, Md., and Mamie Hannon, Felton, Del. Miss Laura Manluff gave a select reading before the literary of Zion M. E. church Wednesday evening, 3rd inst. George Danville, of South Wilmington, is very sick. Revivals are going on at the Shiloh Baptist church, Bethel A. M. E. church and Zion M E. church. At Bethel Rev. W. H. Herd, D. D, preached, on last Sunday morning, a soul-stirring sermon, and has had nine conversions up to date. At Zion the Rev. C. N. Grandison, D. D., preached from John III, 19, in the morning. Such a time has not been witnessed in Zion church on Sunday morning for many years.

Many persons called at The Freeman office, 849 Windsor street, last Saturday, for The Freeman. Miss Sarah Henry, of Philadelphia, is visiting in this city. Alexander Genorel died at his residence, on Forty-Foot street, Dec. 30th, and was buried from Shiloh Baptist church Tuesday, Jan. 2nd. The Fair at Zion M. E. church closed Friday evening, 5th inst., with the repeated concert by the Columbian Concert company of Philadelphia, which was quite a grand affair. The statement in the last week's issue of The Freeman that Rev. C. N. Grandison, D. D., had been invited by the Freedmen's Aid Society of the A. M. E. church to deliver a course of lectures is incorrect. It is the Freedmen's Aid Society of the M. E. church. The Rev. Isaac Williams, of the C. M. E. church will open a mission known as John's Mission on Union street, above Ninth, Jan. 21st. The officers elected by the Delaware Fountain Grand United Order of True Reformers for the ensuing year are as follows: W. Master, Barett Jackson; W. M., Henrietta Hubert; A. B Hendley, secretary; Annie Robinson, assistant; J. W. Dorman Sick, treasurer; Tobia Witen, mutual treasurer; Cephas Smith, chaplain. Seven persons were immersed in baptism Jan. 1st, at Shiloh Baptist church, by B. T. Moore, pastor. Miss Henrietta Wilson, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lizzie, 714 W. Ninth street.

FREE MASONS ENTERTAIN.

Many Deaths—Will Give a World Show—Personal and Society News.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.

On the evening of Jan. 1st there was a celebration of emancipation at Logan Temple church, where prominent men made speeches. On Tuesday evening Prof. W. L. Lindsey gave an entertainment to a packed house. The professor performed on five instruments at one time. A. S. Jones got up a pound party for our Old Ladies' Home the past week. We have had many deaths among our people; recently, Mrs. Darkens Williams, J. Claig and Frank Heirkell, a young christian gentleman. Mr. Heirkell came home from Atlanta, Ga., only a few days before his death. His brother, W. F. Heirkell, of Cleveland, O., come on to attend his sick brother, but reached here four hours too late. Mr. Claig was a member of the order of Free Masons. Mrs. Williams was a good christian lady.

The Free Masons had a nice entertainment at Mapler hall the past week. Prof. R. B. Brown, Charles Giler and G. Scaggs are getting up a swell entertainment for the benefit of the Old Ladies' Home. Prof. Barnett, of Brass band fame, and his Pedestrian club, will go to Marguille, Sunday. Edward Martin is sick. George Scaggs has la grippe. Miss L. Biagotia has gone to Chicago, Ill. Wesley Griffin and Henry Farnthworth spent holidays at Greenville, Tenn., and says that he had a most pleasant time. A S Jones will give a World show at the Baptist church Jan. 13th. An informal was given by our young society people on New Year's night, at Odd Fellows' hall. It was largely attended and a jolly good time was had. Mrs. Jack Young has gone to visit her sister, Mrs. Woodson. It is rumored that Uncle Tom's Cabin will be put on here by local colored talent.

LOST ALL IN THE RAGING FLAMES.

The Debates of the Y. M. C. A.—Officers Elected—Personal Points.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Mr. Chas. Anderson made a visit to Lexa. Mr. Tom Goodwin is back from Marianna. Rev. G. W. Swan, the newly appointed minister gives his name for The Freeman. Mr. Tom Hogans lost his house by fire. Everything they had was destroyed, leaving them at present destitute; but the hearts of the visitors to the fire, began to swell with generosity, some gave them fifty cents, a dollar and a half, and in a few minutes $17 was given, beside chairs, tables, bed and bedding, a good supply of household fixtures and a house to stay in until they build. Mr Hogans had his house insured, but it was very light.

Miss Emma E. Burnes has accepted a position as teacher, at Old Town. Mr. Moses Clark, of Marianna, has closed his barber business. Mr. T. M Morris can be found on Porter street, in his new shaving palace. Prof. T. D. Wilson is building a handsome dwelling on his newly purchased lot in North Helena, The Y. M. C. U., is still progressing; their meeting is largely attended their debates are worthy of attention and study; nearly all the members are prominent and men of note. Prof. Jas. E. Carter, one of the delegates to the Cincinnati convention from Helena, returned last week looking well. The agent suffered much last week with the grip. The wedding bells is ringing out the engagement of Mr. James Dawson to to Miss Louisa Scaife on the 16th.

Mr. L. B. Murry is again in the city he is employed at the Pacific Hotel The A. M. E. Sunday school at the board meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mr. W. C. Cox, superintendent; Washington Hargraves, assistant sup't; Miss Ida B. Adams, secretary; Miss Augusta A. Grey, assistant sec; Miss Jennie R Whiting, chorister; Mr. D. W. Ellison, treasurer; Misses Genervine Wilson and Jessie Kilaborne, organists. Mr. W. B. Beard, libarian; Messrs. John Tweed, Jas. Harvey, Jr., and Frank Adair, assistants. Mrs. Dollie Palmer is canvassing a patent lamp-burner and is meeting with success. Mr. Ben Johnson and Dan Reed have returned from Bolivar county, Miss., where Mr. Johnson was visiting parents. Mr. J. A. Washington has been confined to his room, in his barber shop, for several days with the inflimatory theumatism. Mr. Sept Tate took a trip to Friar's Point to meet his friend, B. Johnson. Mr. John Hie and family, after several days stay with Mrs. J. E. Carter returned to his home in Dubbs, Miss.

Colored School Closed.

Sarasota, Fla., Ssecial.

Sarasota, Fla, is a thriving little town on the gulf of Mexica. It has a beautiful bay view and two hotels. We have had one term of colored school here, taught by Prof. J. W. Deekle, of Georgia. He closed his seven months school the 29th, ult. Miss L. Colson left here for Georgia to visit her mother and relatives. Prof. A. M. Manywether passed through here Tuesday last, enroute to Manatee, his former home, where he attended a meeting of the Masonic fraternity, and returned the Thursday following. He is an ex-teacher of Manatee, and owns some property there. He is also one of the most prominent colored men in this county, and one of The Freeman's best friends. We expect to organize a Baptist church here soon.

Every Man Should Read This.

If any young, old or middle-aged man suffering from nervous debility, premature decay, lack of vigor and development, varicocele, etc., will write me, I will send him in plain envelope, sealed, FREE, the receipt and full particulars for a genuine, certain cure. Address G. B. Wright, music dealer. box 1854, Marshall, Mich.

PETER JACKSON TO-NIGHT,

And Matinee at the "Grand"—Celebrated their Crystal

Wedding—Champion Building Lodge Sued—Brought Home for Burial—"Comrades" who Have Died.

Springfield, O., Special.

The Crystal Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ricketts, was celebrated at their residence at 291 W. Euclid avenue last week. They entertained a large number of their friends in a most royal manner, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Beard, Alex. Beard, Jas. Deuey, Albert Childers, Samuel Hilton, A. Duncan, A. Jackson, Joe Branham, J. Akemles, Rus. Bosey, E. Green, John Muroe, L. Ritcher, Wm. Stuart, Riley Yates, P. M. Hatcher, F. Rickets, I. Ford, Wm Metcalf.

Peter Jackson as Uncle Tom at the Grand Saturday, Jan. 13th; matinee and evening; will attract a big crowd.

Richard Reynolds met with a serious accident which may cause his life, a gravel bank fell in upon him. Mrs. Wm Metcalf arrived home after a pleasant visit to her home at Zanesville, O. The third quarterly meeting of Wesley Chapel M. E. church was held last Sunday. Rev. W. S. Johnson, presiding elder of the Lexington district, preached both morning and evening, and in the afternoon preached a sacramental discourse. There was a large crowd in attendance at all the services in this beautiful tabernacle.

As Topsy, wild, naughty Topsy, Louise Miller, is a host of fun in herself, in Charles E. Davis' superb "Uncle Tom's Cabin Company," with Peter Jackson as the star.

All of our city churches observed the week of prayer. Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Wilborn, a lovely girl baby. Mother and child doing well. Z. R. Jackson left Sunday morning for Philadelphia, Pa., to see Past Grand Master Forrester of the G. U. O. of O. F., in regard to an important point in law pertaining to the sick, as Fred. Gaskins has sued Champion Builder lodge for $400 for sick dues, which he claims the lodge owes him.

Between the 1st and 2d acts, and before he assumes his character as "Uncle Tom"—Peter Jackson spars three friendly rounds with Joseph Choynski, the clever young Californian.

Alonzo Gregory, formerly head cook at Lagnola House, died at Denver, Col., Sunday, the 7th, inst. His remains were brought here and buried by Solomon's Temple lodge. Rev. Ira Collins delivered a very able discourse to the Y. M. C. A. last Sabbath to a crowded house, on the "Elevation of mankind." Communion service was duly observed last Sabbath afternoon. Rev. J. C. Taylor delivered a very able discourse appropriate to the occasion.

The abundant new scenery used in Charles E. Davis' "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company, is pronounced simply gorgeous. The company is certainly one of the most expensive on the road.

Be sure to go to Jack Days' on High street, if you want a copy of The Freeman. Chas. W. Fillmore, of Columbus, the corporation clerk of Ohio, spent Sunday in the city the guest of his many friends. Mrs. R. Kirkpatrick, of Scott street, who has been confined to her home with an attack of la grippe, is now convalescent. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steward, of Dayton, O., spent Sunday in this city. John Brown post, No. 633, G. A. R, held its annual memorial service for its dead at the Wiley M. E. church, Sunday afternoon. Commander W. W. Blackburn conducted the ritualistic ceremonies. Rev. Mr. White delivered an impressive address. The comrades who died during the past year are: George W. Ellis, company M, Eleventh United States Colored Artillery; Benjamin Branch, company M, Fifth United States Colored Calvary; Essex Brown, company H. Twelfth United States Colored Artillery.

Don't miss the greatest and best "Uncle Tom's Cabin" now traveling; at the Grand Opera House Saturday, matinee and evening, Jan. 13th.

WILBORN.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH,

Twelfth Street, below Bainbridg, Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. L. G. Jordan, pastor.

DESCRIPTION:—The church is three-story 44x82. The front gray brick rock-faced trimmed with Ohio Lime-stone. The first-story or cellar is well lighted and is used for culinary purposes and a drill room for the Boy's Brigade. The second story or the Sunday School room, is large well ventilated and lighted with electricity and divided into five rooms. Two are used for dressing rooms and two, used exclusively for class and committee rooms. The latter two can be thrown into the main lecture room and will seat 450 persons. The third story or auditorium is plain with stained glass windows, floor inclined, sweeping gallery that terminates at the pulpit; four entrances to it. It is suspended from the main timbers of the roof and is considered by all who see it, to be the most unique of its kind in the city. This room will seat 900 persons. There are four rooms on this floor also. The walls are finished in Terra cotta and the ceiling in light blue. The wood-work shows its natural color This room is lighted with electric lights also. A figure of John the Baptist, baptizing our Lord, is the ornament in the pulpit.

Model Man Dead.

Delhi, La., Special.

At half past seven o'clock Thursday Dec. 21st, Rev. Lott Shaw passed from this terrestial world to the celestial one. He suffered fully eight weeks with a peculiar sickness. The deceased was born at Tuchapaw, La., Oct. 1819 He was something past seventy-five years of age. The funeral was attenddd at Mt. Zion Baptist church, under official service of Rev. A. B. Flood and A. McCall who according to his request was to conduct the services. The remains were interred on the mound upon the Macon banks, beside of his his beloved wife who has been there waiting since January '87

His success since emancipation has been great. Like others of his race he was set free in '65 penniless, friendless ignorant but not shiftless for within the third or fourth year after freedom he purchased 80 acres of land, and at the time of his death he owned a thousand, other property and bank reciepts are at a low estimates $15,000. As a churchman and a worker of education he had no peers in North Louisiana. Early he put his children in school, he himself taking a private tutor in his home. He entered the Theological Seminary, at Natchez, after he had passed sixty. His four sons was put in Fisk university in '76, and Abraham had he survived would have been today a fine medical doctor.

Not a Baptist church of any note in and about Delhi that he was not an active leader in helping to found, but he worshipped at Mt Zion and made it his choice, because of his undoubted faith in her integrity. He leaves to mourn his loss a young widow and six children the posterity of his first wife. North Lousiana has lost a noble man, Delhi a business man the churches a devoted christian, wife a tender husband, and children a loving father; in fact a model man has gone.

Congratulates Mr. Taylor.

Editor Freeman:

I congratulate Rev. Cæsar A. A Taylor for his letter that appeared in The Freeman Dec. 16, '93. Reverend, your example is one the race should follow. Yours for the advancement of the race, MRS. D. H. HEMPHILL,

Atlanta, Ga.

O WHISPER THAT THOU LOV'ST ME STILL.

Dost thou recall that Southern night,
So long ago, so long ago,
'Neath balmy skies all full of light,
'Mid Southern roses all ablow?
There kneeling at thy lissome feet,
Dost thou recall thy answer, Sweet?
If love hath vanished in regret,
Oh, Dearest Heart, I love thee yet.
That first wild kiss,
A spark of bliss,
Hath lit a flame no time can kill.
Ah, tell me not thou has forget—
Oh, whisper that thou lov'st me still.

I know not what the years have wrought,
If good or ill shall crown my dreams;
I know the laggard years have brought
My careworn life more gloom than gleams.
With plighted hearts we bade good-bye
To meet beneath another sky;
Dost thou remember or forget?
Oh, Dearest Heart, I love thee yet.
I've borne so long
With grief and song,
I've dreamed of thee thro' every ill;
Ah, tell me thou has not forgot—
Oh, whisper that thou lov'st me still.

CHARMING LOUISVILLE

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A Sensation in Society Promised—Entertained by the "Anthenians"—Society Happenings.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Wm. Evans, Clarence Mayo and several other young men from Chicago, Ill, are here visiting. W. A. Gaines, of Covington, Ky., State Grand Master of the U. B. F. and S. M. T., is in the city. L. Bolling and Miss Mary Hill eloped to Jeffersonville, Ind., last Monday and were very quietly married. Mrs. W. H. Perry left last Saturday for Yazoo, Miss, where she takes charge of her school again. All of the night schools have resumed again. Philip H. Doughty is very ill at his home, 937 W. Chestnut, with rheumatism and pneumonia.

Miss Carrie Hawkins left for a six months' stay at Indianapolis, Ind. Mrs. Wm. Blue is convalescing. John Allen and Miss Rachel Alexander are here from Indianapolis. Chas. Davis, of Cincinnati, O, Mrs. James S. Bryant, of Omaha, Neb., David Staten, of Memphis, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. George Banks, of Anchorage, Ky., and Henry Daggett, of Chicago, were in the city this week. David H. Clark spent Saturday and Sunday at his "old home," Lebanon, Ky., with relatives. Miss Lucretia Lawson has returned from a visit to Shelbyville, Ky. Mrs. D. D. Hunter returned Tuesday from a visit to Frankfort, Ky. Miss Nettie Cassell, of Columbus, O, is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Bell, 2316 Magazine street.

J. J. Thomas has returned from Clinton, Ky., where he has been teaching school. Wm. Spaulding, of New York, is in the city visiting. Mrs. G. E. Adams has returned to Taylorsville, Ky., after a pleasant visit here with relatives. Miss Ada Smith, who has been teaching school at Greensburg, Ky., passed through the city last week enroute home to Madison, Ind. Mrs. Lina Bishop, from Indianapolis, Ind., will make this her future home. Q. B. Jones, secretary of Fifth St. Baptist church, is very ill at his home. His daughter, Mrs. Nellie Jones-Bright, of Savannah, Ga., is at his bedside. Among the many entertainments of the past week was one given by the "Heletrope socials" on last Monday night, at the residence of Mr. Troutman, 1717 Twelfth street. The officers of the Heletrope are Miss Susie Troutman, president; Mattie Mitchell, secretary, and Mattie Lily, treasurer. All had a nice time.

The Phantasma club met at the residence of John Thomas, 559 Third avenue, last Wednesday evening and elected the following officers: James Brown, president; Benjamin Dickerson, vice; John Thomas, secretary; Chas. Weathers, treasurer; H. P. Slaughter, financial secretary. They have out invitations announcing their annual banquet, which promises to rival any yet given by them. The Meridith sisters, Mamie and Lottie, of Chicago, were the recipients of Kentucky's hospitality while in the city the past week. Their entertainers were the Anthenian club of young men, also Miss Lizzie Goff, Misses Mary and Lizzie Hicks, Miss Beulah Coats, Messrs. Harris and Fitzbutler, Mrs. Charlie Blanford and Miss Centennial Hill, at 111 Gray street. At each reception the toast of "Eat, drink and be merry" was the motto. Notice! W. G. Moore, 1639 W. Oak street, is agent for The Freeman. Send postal with your address and he will call to see you.

Snowden Nolen and Miss Lizzie Ormsby eloped to Jeffersonville, Dec. 17, 1893, and were married. They returned to Mrs. Julia Jacobs, on Preston street, where an infaire was held for one hour. The couple will take up their new home in the East end. Eugene Stone, of Chicago, Ill., spent the New Years in our city as the guest of Miss Amanda Thomas The invitations of the Phantasma club are out. The invitations issued are few and are models of beauty and neatness. Look out there is something going to take place soon which will startle society. See The Freeman next issue. Miss Mollie Brooks and Mrs. F. Foster spent the week in the city from Henderson, Ky. Edward Brown, of Henderson, Ky., was in the city last week. Miss Lucretia M. Gibson has been appointed at Central High School, and Miss Lottie B. Lee at the Eastern school. Lewis Lawson, of Shelbyville, Ky. spent Thursday in our city.

AT THE HOUSE OF "ESTEL."

One was Absent, "Pet"—At Fisk Memorial Chapel—Social Flashes.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The Freeman is on sale at W. L. Irving's barber shop, 330 Deadrick street. Y. E Redmond visited his home in Franklin last week. Miss Nannie Williams returned to Fisk university, after spending a few days with her parents in Franklin, last week. Miss Bettie E. Postell returned to Fisk university after several days visit to her people in Hopkinsville, Ky. It is the Sophomore's base bell nine, the latest; Enos G. Byran, president. Prof. Herbert H. Wright was called to Oberlin, O, on account of the severe illness of his mother last week. We do hope she has greatly improved since.

Prof. E. B. Warman, M. A., gave a literary entertainment of recitation and reading at Fisk Memorial Chapel last Friday night to a large audience. Prof. E. C. Stickel will give in connection with his lecture, next Friday night Jan. 19th, the stereopticon views of the White City and of other cities, at Fisk university. Rev. George W. Moore left last Thursday for the North, in the interest of Fisk university and other A. M. E. schools. Miss Nora Hosler returned Monday Jan. 1st, from Pine Bluff, Ark., where she spent the Xmas. Miss Janie Benson is home again, after spending a few days with her sister in Jackson.

Miss Shellie B. Nichol left for Jackson last week, after spending the Xmas with her people and friends. The Sabbath school of St. John church had a Ferris wheel to grind out presents to the little ones. Pleasant Green church had a Xmas entertainment. Jackson street Congregational church had a Xmas tree; and Mt. Zion had an old-fashioned chimney, down which the presents came for the children. Friday night Dec. 29th, Miss Martha Grisham entertained a number of friends complimentary to her uncle, R. H. Grisham, who came to spend the Xmas with his mother. Miss Grisham has the ability to reach the heart of man (?).

Friday night last the B. O. L. club gave their annual reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Watson, High street, "joy reigned supreme." Misses Pearl, Ella and Mr. James Fort entertained a number of friends on the 29th, ult. The principal feature was the touching of fireworks. The liberty bell now on its errand of inspection around the world, visited Nashville on the 8th, to take part in the Jackson Day celebration. Madame Patti, the greatest vocalist in the world, sang in the city Jan. 8th, to a full house. Fisk class '94 have conquered the "science of the soul," and are now trying to learn how to reason and how to get rich. Mrs. Alice Sumner feft for Chicago last week, to attend the marriage of her niece, Miss Annie Augusta Ridley, to Prof. Perry, of Louisville, Ky. The D. M. H. S. club met Jan. 4th, at the house of "Estel," all members present but "Pet." The seniors of Fisk university mourn the absence of Lawyer E. Brown. Why don't you advertise for him?

The emancipation proclamation was celebrated by the Literary club, of Nashville, at Pendleton street Baptist church. Several hundred people were present. The occasion was one that will be long remembered. Music was rendered by W. B. Reed's select choir. After the devotional exercises the President I. B. McCutcheon, responded in a short and well chosen address. Miss Eunice C. Holmes on account of illness was unable to read the proclamation. It was read by Miss Carrie V. Stamps' A solo was sung by Miss Samuella Reed. The speakers of the evening were; J. J. Blackshear, Miss Lizzie J. Fox, Messrs. T. E. McClaim and W. A. Thompson.

Emancipation Day.

Livermore, Ky, Special.

On Monday night Dec 25th, there was a Christmas tree at the A. M. E. church, on Tuesday night Dec. 26th, a Christmas chimney and concert at the Baptist church; on Saturday night Dec. 30th. There was a musical concert given at the A. M. E. church. January 1st, Emancipation day was celebrated. The exercises was under the auspices of the literary society of this place. The following is the program of the day exercises. Reading proclamation, by Mrs. Sarah Higgs; recitation "Advice to the young," by Miss Lizzie B. Lightfoot; the audience then was addressed by T. Shultz, S. Bennett, E. S. Foreman and Prof. Jas. E. Guinn, of Calhoun public school delivered a very elcquent address touching the duty of the freedmen and their posterity, urging every one to see that they left no stone unturned to advance the interest of the race At the close of Prof. Guinn's address E. S. Foreman offered the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Prof. James E. Guinn, of Calhoun public school, accepted the invitation to be with us to-day and has so eloquently addressed us, Therebe it resolved, that we extend to him a vote of thanks, And be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our society, and also published in The Freeman.

E. S. Foreman, Sam Bennett, J. R, Crite, Misses Lizzie B Lightfoot and Annie M. Higgs was appointed to solicit funds to assist in defraying the expenses of the suit against the separate coach law. A collection was taken and the committee given three weeks to collect additional funds before forwarding said funds to the State committee.

NEVER GIVES UP ITS DEAD.

Cayuga Lake, From Which No Drowned Person Was Ever Recovered.

"If they succeed in recovering the bodies of Instructor Merriam and Miss Yeargin from the depths of Cayuga lake by means of electricity, as I see they intend to try to do," said a gentleman who grew up on the shores of Cayuga lake, "it will be the first time in the history of the lake that the body of any person drowned in its waters was ever seen again. I always had a liking for geological research and indulged it for many years in investigating the bottom of Cayuga lake.

"My experiments satisfied me that the bottom of the lake is a series of large openings and cavities, many of them craterlike. Some of these are 100 feet in diameter. These craters, as I believe them to be, lie at different depths, or, rather, their raised edges are of different heights. Their depths are fathomless. They have undoubtedly become the receptacles of the bodies of the hundreds of people who are known to have been drowned in the lake since that country was settled and of the undoubted thousands of people killed in the fierce battles that were frequently waged on the shores of the lake between hostile tribes of aboriginal warriors during the centuries preceding the coming of the white man.

"It was in Cayuga lake that the fiendish murderer Ruloff lowered the bodies of his wife and child, 30 years ago, after he had murdered them. The bodies were inclosed in a chest, as he confessed before he was hanged at Binghamton for another murder. The weeks that were spent in dragging the lake for this chest were simply wasted, for it was sunk into the mouth of one of those bottomless openings, and, if it is not sinking yet, is still floating about in those mysterious depths.

"Within half a century more than 100 persons have been drowned in Cayuga lake, to recover the bodies of whom the grappling iron and drag were used industriously, but in vain. If it were possible for one to make the rounds of this lake's craterlike bed, he would, without doubt, encounter hideous charnel houses beyond number—caverns where hosts of grinning skeletons have found sepulcher, submarine catacombs without end. Perhaps the electricians exploring the lake bottom with their intense lights, as they purpose doing, may make some such discoveries."—Rochester Post-Express.

MILK INSTEAD OF FLOUR.

Farmers Who Say That It Pays Them to Feed Wheat to Their Cows.

Philadelphia milk consumers may probably be interested in an experiment of the farmers of the Schuylkill valley, whence that city receives large quantities of its milk. Recently increased shipments of milk have been made. Wheat, in round figures, sells at less than 65 cents, and owing to its low price many farmers are chopping theirs and feeding it to cattle. They say that bran is a cent a pound, corn nearly a cent a pound, oats a cent a pound, and wheat a cent a pound, and that, as wheat has at least one-third more milk producing qualities, it is cheaper at present prices to feed it than corn or anything else.

By actual test it was learned that 60 pounds of wheat make more milk and of better quality than the same quantity of corn, or almost any other class of feed, and it is stated that since Schuylkill valley shippers are feeding wheat to their cows their milk is pronounced of a higher standard of excellence. Farmers say that they cannot afford to raise wheat for flourmaking purposes unless they get 90 cents to $1 a bushel.—Reading Cor. Philadelphia Ledger.

Mark Twain.

Mark Twain's hair has grown white and his physique is not so stalwart as it was a few years ago, but his mind is as juvenile as ever. He has a hacking cough, which, when he gives way to it, is almost convulsive in its tendency, but the humorist seems entirely indifferent to its violence. He sat in a prominent New York club a few days ago, running spasmodically from one story to another and commenting upon the talk of his companions, with a perpetual smile lurking around the corners of his mouth. Yet at short intervals he was bent over almost double under the violence of his cough. When his companions referred to it, as they did on one or two occasions, Mr. Clemens seemed quite unaware of the fact that he had been arousing a good deal of sympathy as well as incessant laughter.—Exchange.

Bad Season For London Hotels.

This has been a rather bad season for some of the London hotels, particularly for one or two of the larger ones. "Birds of passage" have been scarcer than has been the case for years. The great body of traveling Americans stayed at home, not apparently for the purpose of adding to the wealth of Chicago or of making the Columbian exhibition an unparalleled success, but simply on account of a lack of money. The absence of visitors—among whom Americans are probably the most profitable—had a depressing effect upon many kinds of business, but none suffered more than some of the largest hotels.—Pall Mall Budget.

Baltimore's New Monument.

Baltimore is about to put up another monument. The young Irish are at the head of the movement, and they have not yet decided on the hero to honor. So far the vote favors, in the order named, Emmet, O'Connell, Grattan, Tone, Burke and Parnell, and the choice will be made from this half dozen. Contrary to the order of such things, the money is already provided.—Baltimore Letter

Rothschild's Museum Opened.

Mr. Walter Rothschild, son of Lord Rothschild, has completed and opened his zoological museum at Tring, in the Chiltern district, England. The museum is wholly and entirely devoted to zoological matters and includes many rare specimens. Mr. Rothschild is an enthusiastic amateur naturalist and has spent much money in establishing his museum.

A BRAVE WOMAN.

How She Rescued Her Husband From the Vengeance of a Puma.

Jabez English, a sheep herder of this neighborhood, was engaged in building a cabin home, his former one having been destroyed by fire a week or two ago, and was busily at work on its roof when he saw an animal steal out of the woods hard by and fling itself upon the pail containing his dinner of cold boiled bacon and bread.

He recognized this animal as a puma, or mountain lion, but thinking he might frighten it away threw his plane at it. The tool struck the animal on the head, cutting it badly and rendering the creature furious. It rushed at the structure on the peak of which the herder sat and tried to leap up to him. But this was not to be done, and after several attempts the lion abandoned it and proceeded to patrol the spot, growling furiously and showing its teeth.

The man, having no weapon and being out of reach of any one to whom he might call, could only sit still and wait for the puma to become tired of the watch or for deliverance. Night at last came on, and still he did not dare venture to quit his perch, though it was so cold that he feared that he would freeze before morning. In the meantime his wife, who was in Santa Anna, a little mountain hamlet of the valley, grew uneasy about him, and with a lantern started to look for him. It was too dark for English to see her, but the lion did, and made for her with a scream of rage.

As the great beast came leaping at her out of the darkness she dashed the lantern full in its face. The puma, startled, gave way, and English, guessing who the newcomer was, shouted to her to run back to the village. She turned to do so, but the puma was after her, and she was obliged to wheel about every few feet and shake the lantern in its face again. The animal would recoil at this, and each time gave her a few moments to run on.

In this way she made her way to Santa Anna, screaming as she neared it, "A lion! a lion!" until some of the men of the village, hearing her, armed themselves and came out in time to see the lion break away to run back. They pursued him and killed him and then went on for the half frozen herder. His wife, a bright eyed, chatty little Mexican woman, claimed the skin of the puma, saying that it was rightly hers, as she alone had brought the lion into the village, and it was presented to her for the new home in the valley.—Tombstone (A. T.) Special.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHPLACE.

The Government Improving and Making Accessible a Historical Spot.

A contract has been awarded for the erection of a $10,000 wharf on the Potomac river, near Wakefield, Westmoreland county, Va., General George Washington's birthplace, and the steamer Sue will probably make it a landing place. The house in which Washington was born was destroyed by fire during his boyhood, but in 1815 a stone with a suitable inscription was placed on the spot by George Washington Parke Custis. It was while living at Wakefield that Washington attended the neighboring schools, where instruction did not go further than reading, writing and spelling, with the addition, which must have been somewhat exceptional, of bookkeeping and surveying.

In after years, while Washington was surveying the vast estates of Lord Fairfax, the birthplace was burned, and the family moved on the Rappahannock river, near Fredericksburg. The new wharf will be built by the government as a means of access to the ruins of the burned house, and congress is to mark the place with a monument. A steamboat landing will make the historical spot, now somewhat difficult to reach, of easy access for tourists.—Baltimore American.

Death Among the Dukes.

Including the Duke of Leinster, whose death was recently announced, eleven dukes have passed away within the last three years—the Dukes of Buckingham, Cleveland, Devonshire, Leinster, Manchester, Marlborough, Roxburghe, Somerset, Sutherland and two Dukes of Bedford. Three years ago there were 29 dukes apart from those of the royal blood, and it will be seen that more than a third of the number have died. As one result of this mortality the dukedoms have been reduced to 27, the titles of Buckingham and Cleveland having become extinct. Only 24 dukes can vote, however, as the new Dukes of Leinster, Manchester and Roxburghe are minors.—London News.

Girls as Pallbearers.

Six young ladies, each wearing a white chrysanthemum, created much comment by serving as pallbearers at the funeral of Mrs. James McGiven, manager of a local shorthand school. The girls' study class of St. Leo's Catholic church had charge of the funeral services, and the pallbearers were members of it. On the way to the church the young lady pallbearers walked behind the mourners and continued in charge of the remains until after the interment.—Tacoma Letter in Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Hanged Himself to Live.

A Paris beggar has been living very comfortably by hanging himself. He would choose a tree near where young children were playing, string himself up and groan to attract their attention, so that they would run for help. He would be cut down and restored, and a letter in his pocket would explain his attempted suicide by a statement of his destitution. He knew how to attach the noose so as to avoid strangulation.—Paris Correspondent.

Buried Under His Snow House.

Charles Prendergast, aged 11 years, was playing recently in a snow house near his residence, 116 St. Martin street, Montreal, when it collapsed, and he was buried in the snow. His companions ran away and left him. When he was dug out, after lying there for eight hours, he was nearly frozen, and besides a broken leg he was injured internally. He died from his injuries.—Toronto Globe.

PORTUGUESE IN NEW YORK CITY.

Of the 16,000 In the United States the Metropolis Has but 76.

The other day John Gubbins, a Portuguese, was held for trial by Justice Grady at the Yorkville police court under charge of stabbing a policeman. There is nothing strange or peculiar about the arrest of a man charged with stabbing or attempting to stab a policeman, but the oddity connected with Gubbins is the fact that he is a Portuguese.

How many Portuguese do you think there are among the 2,000,000 inhabitants of New York city? Just 76. There are 76 of them, and it is said in police circles to be a fact that Gubbins is the first Portuguese ever under arrest in this city. This would be a very creditable showing if there were more than 76 of them. As it is, the only wonder is that there are so few. In the whole United States there are 16,000 Portuguese. Nine thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine of them are returned by the last census as residents of California, 3,051 as residents of Massachusetts, 833 as residents of Rhode Island and 76 as residents of New York city. They are a maritime people, most numerous in such seaport cities as San Francisco, Boston, Providence, New Orleans and New Bedford, but curiously enough almost unknown in New York, the greatest center of commerce in the western hemisphere.

Emigrants from the lands of Camoens and the Braganzas are famous as sailors and navigators, and their descendants are scattered in many lands, notably in Hawaii, where the Portuguese population is considerable, and the East Indies, where the Portuguese colonies are numerous. New York is a cosmopolitan city. Men of every race and nationality are to be found here. The total immigration to the United States through Ellis island from Jan. 1, 1893, to Dec. 15 was 233,597, and toward this total Portugal contributed the almost infinitesimal total of 79 persons. The Portuguese are, generally speaking, thrifty, hardy, industrious and matter of fact. They have little of the sentiment of their Spanish neighbors. They are law abiding and undemonstrative, and Gubbins appears to be a backslider, stimulated perhaps to deeds of unruly violence by New Jersey whisky or Medford rum, both poor substitutes for the fine wines of the Oporto district shipped from Lisbon and famous the world over.—New York Sun.

TERRIBLE DEATH OF A HORSE.

The Costly Animal Goes Mad and Tears Itself Almost to Pieces.

J. E. Sechrist of this county lost his fine stallion Fleetwood in a peculiar and terrible manner. The animal was a very fine one, an inbred Hambletonian, both powerful and speedy. A few days ago it was taken with blind staggers, and its sufferings were terrible. The climax of the disease was reached on Tuesday morning, when the animal went crazy. He was tied in his stable, but in his agony he broke the strong rope halter as if it were a thread, and driving his head against the side of the barn covered everything with blood.

Finally he made a desperate effort at the door, and tearing it from its hinges went at a run through the field. His speed was terrific, and he stopped not for paling, board or wire fences, but took everything in his mad run. He ran through a paling fence six times and through a four wire barbed fence 18 times, tearing his legs and body in a horrible manner. It was just before day, and Mr. Sechrist says that every time he struck the wire the fire flew, and the ring of the wire could be heard a long distance. Finally, from exhaustion and loss of blood, he fell and died. Mr. Sechrist valued him at $2,000 and bought him from Kentucky.—Oklahoma Special.

She Died With the Cat.

Mrs. Allie Spencer of Stillwater was found dead in her house there recently. It was at first supposed to be a case of suicide, but later developments showed that it was the result of a strange accident. Mrs. Spencer had said she intended to chloroform an old house cat. The cat was found lying dead in a box, which also held a large sponge. The strong odor of chloroform in the room told the rest of the sad story. Mrs. Spencer, while chloroforming the cat, must have been overcome by the fumes of the volatile drug, and having a chronic heart trouble had expired there alone.—Lewiston Journal.

Exposition Relics.

A curious illustration of woman's tendency to lose things is furnished by the collection in the lost and found bureau of the Columbian exposition. There remain in it 600 women's wraps, 520 gloves, 25 veils, a score of portmanteaux and handbags, to say nothing of 800 umbrellas, a good share of which were left by women, and 200 pairs of spectacles, most of which no doubt belonged to women. They lose things when away from home because they are more likely than men to be carried away by new scenes and to forget everything except what interests them for the moment.—Pittsburg Times.

A Coincidence.

One of those coincidences that are as mysterious as they are interesting occurred in connection with the death of John Nolan, an officer of the superior court of New York. One day recently he "took a notion" to make his will, and as he was in excellent health was chaffed by friends whom he asked to witness it. It was signed and sealed that afternoon, and the next day he died of heart disease.—New York News.

Grand Wolf Hunt.

The farmers of Kossuth county, Ia., had a grand wolf hunt on Christmas day. They have lost hundreds of sheep this winter through the depredations of wolves and propose to exterminate the pests. The county was scoured by parties of horsemen, who swept the Des Moines valley from one end of the county to the other. The scalps are worth $5 each, and hundreds of them were secured.

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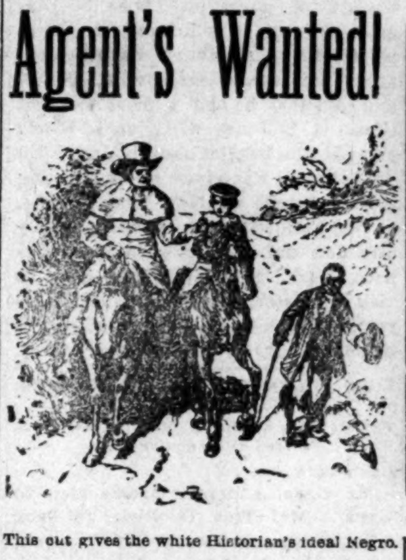

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ICELANDIC EMIGRANTS.

The Exodus Beginning to Assume a Serious Aspect to the Arctic Island.

Since the political agitations of Iceland in 1885, which disturbed and discouraged the population, things have been going materially from bad to worse. We are occasionally called upon to listen to jeremiads about Icelandic starvation from those whose sentiment for the Icelanders is more active than their information is exact, and the English public has become suspicious of cries of "Wolf!" But the present season, with its excellent weather and good supplies of food, has not shown any reaction against the draining away of the people.

This summer no fewer than 600 persons emigrated to America, bringing the population below that limit of 70,000 to which it had already dwindled. The island now contains, it is believed, fewer inhabitants than it did in 1870, before the temporary rise in Icelandic prosperity. The emigrants are largely of the farm laborer class, and there is a growing complaint that portions of the country are going out of cultivation because there is no one to work on the land.

Canada is beginning to attract the Icelanders to its northern provinces, and during the last six months three or four Canadian agents have been visiting every township in the island, preaching the attractions of the new country. The government has even gone so far as to introduce a bill proposing to discourage emigration, or in any case to put a stop to the propaganda of these Canadian agents, but it is doubtful whether this measure will pass the althing, and nothing seems able to modify the distaste which the Icelander has formed for his venerable but arid acres.

A speaker in the althing the other day remarked that a bill preventing Icelanders who were doing well in the west from writing to their friends at home would do a thousand times more service than an attempt to persecute touting colonial agents.—Saturday Review.

JAPAN'S "UNKNOWABLE FIRE."

Professor Hisatomo Is Attempting to Solve the Interesting Phenomenon.

It has long been regarded as an inexplicable mystery that a luminous object, known as "shiranu-hi"—literally meaning "unknowable fire"—is occasionally seen at night, especially in cloudy weather, on the sea in Tsukushi bay. The superstitious ascribe this unusual phenomenon to the spirits of those lost at sea. But, according to the vernacular press, the mystery is to be solved ere long.

Professor Nakayama Hisatomo of the Kumanoto higher middle school, who is now investigating the thing, is of the opinion that phosphorus may possibly be the cause of this luminosity, which may be emitted from animalculæ in the water. He has secured some water from the place where the supposed fire makes its appearance and examined it with a microscope, with the result that he found a number of animalculæ in it. It needs, however, a more complete examination before finally coming to a determination on the subject, and with this end in view he is stated to be now pursuing his researches.

It may be added that Mr. Kimotsuki of the navy, who made an investigation of sea currents some time ago, reported that the kuro-shiwo, or the black current, which flows from the neighborhood of the Philippine archipelago to the southern coast of Japan, is the warmest ocean stream in the world, and consequently it may contain minute animal life giving off phosphorescence.—Japan Mail.

Santander's Dilemma.

The city of Santander, the late victim of a dynamite explosion at its docks, continues panic stricken, and there has been a general exodus of its inhabitants since they became aware that no less than 400 cases of dynamite are still submerged under the waters of the harbor. According to the opinion of experts the nitroglycerin in the dynamite is bound to explode, sooner or later, by reason of the infiltration of the water. Too much praise cannot be accorded to the divers who are now, at the risk of their lives, engaged in raising the explosive, which is being taken out to sea and sunk.—Santander Dispatch.

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An ev'ry foren nation.
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Seen ev'rything was there,
And I'll admit I feel quite proud
Sence I was to the fair.

I never made no sort of bones
Of study or book larnin:
I never thought I know'd it all—
The whys or the consarnin.
But I don't mind of tellin you
I've got, I du declare,
A liberal edication
Sence I was to the fair.

They's many folks is stylisher
An more stuck up than me;
They's many that ken hold their heads
Straight as a poplar tree,
But I ken tell ye confident
An strictly on the square
They's none on 'em ahead of me
Sence I was to the fair.

I've told the folks sence I got back
The thousand things I've seen;
Described the sights that really was
An some thet orter been.
I've lied a heap, I will admit,
But 'bout thet I don't care.
I ain't afraid to stretch the truth
Sence I was to the fair.

An now I s'pose I'll settle down,
Same as I've allus done,
An try an make the money back
I've spent in havin fun.
But never mind how hard I work,
Or how much strain or care,
I've got a heap to think about
Sence I was to the fair.

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DUPED BY A SHARPER.

Sullivan County Men Will Have to Pay More Than They Bargained For.

Twenty-two of the former residents of Sullivan county were last year interested in a scheme introduced by a traveling "sharper," and now they must settle.

The agent represented that he was organizing an association for the purchase of a Percheron stallion for the agreed price of $2,800. Each member of the association was to take one-twenty-second part of the venture, and pay accordingly.

Three notes were given, each for the sum of $934, the first due on Oct. 12; the second on the same date in 1894, the third in October, 1895. The notes were joint and were signed by the members of the association. A Monticello lawyer has the notes for collection, and the collection of the first one is to be pressed at once.

As some of the signers are not considered solvent, and as the notes are all drawn, "We, or either of us," the enterprise promises to be a costly one for some of the members.

The unfortunate men who form the association claim they were grossly deceived by the agent, as the extent of the liability which they supposed they assumed was only $128, but by signing the note each member assumed the entire debt, providing his co-sureties proved to be insolvent. The notes are all in the hands of third parties, and no defense can be entered against their payment.

"If I have to pay all that money," said one of the men today, "my wife will go crazy, and I shall go to the poorhouse. I cannot imagine how I could ever have been such a fool as to enter into such an arrangement anyhow. I always prided myself upon being a match for any of them, but I will never do any more boasting. This is indeed a wonderful age."

One of the victims decided that if ever a "traveling agent attempts to sell him anything again he will never live to approach another party."

"Oh, nonsense," exclaimed his wife. "You will be ready to deal with another man tomorrow."—Middletown (N. Y.) Special.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH'S LOVE.

She Preferred the Man of Her Choice to a Crown and Throne.

Some time ago it was believed that the heir presumptive to the Austrian throne, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, would marry his Bavarian cousin's daughter, Princess Elizabeth. I now hear that the idea existed and was much favored by the emperor, but the young princess frustrated these plans.

More than a year ago she began to look approvingly upon a handsome young lieutenant, Baron S. The officer began by riding past her windows a couple of times a day, then he obtained a room with windows facing Prince Leopold's palace. In the winter, at court balls, the lieutenant danced oftener than any other with the princess, and in the spring lawn tennis brought them more together still.

All at once the young officer was transferred to a regiment stationed in Alsace, and this seemed the tame end of a romantic story. But in the summer, when Princess Elizabeth staid with her emperor grandpapa at Ischl, she is supposed to have used her time so well that the emperor promised to make the baron a prince, to give him some landed property and to allow the happy couple to marry if their love was proof against time.

The princess is 19, pretty, perfectly natural and very sweet tempered. That she should have preferred a union with the man she loves to the certainty of an imperial throne will not alienate the sympathies of those who know her and love her for her natural grace.—Vienna Correspondent.

Beards and Diplomacy.

Sir Edmund Monson was the possessor of the finest and longest beard in the diplomatic service, but he has just sacrificed it in deference to the friendly advice of the Prince of Wales, who is a standing authority upon all matters of personal appearance, uniform and etiquette. His royal highness was of the opinion that a patriarchal beard would not be considered becoming in Vienna, and her majesty's embassador at the imperial court is now almost clean shaven. Not one in a hundred of his old friends can recognize him, and the hall porter at St. James' club will certainly require some proof of his identity when next he comes to London. The unexpected change sorely puzzled Prince Henry of Battenberg and those who met Sir Edmund at Gratz.—Vienna Letter.

Four Heirs Get a Quarter Each.

Four legacies of 25 cents each result from the will of Matthew Stanley, late of Watervliet, just probated before Surrogate Conway. The estate consists of real estate valued at $7,500, mortgaged for $5,000, and $2,500 worth of personal estate. The will devises to the testator's wife, Eveline, the income of one-third of the property during her lifetime. A son, Edward, of Barton, Vt., is bequeathed $1. The rest of the estate is devised to William L. Stanley and James Oscar Stanley. Edward Stanley is dead, and his bequest of $1 goes to his children, Susie C. Stanley, Eliza A. Chapman, Springfield, Mass.; Samuel E. Stanley, Barton, Vt., and Freeman C. Stanley, San Francisco, who will receive 25 cents each.—Albany Argus.

A Prophecy For 1894.

Dr. Parker, pastor of the City Temple of London, has been indulging in a wholesale prophecy for 1894: He says: "Next year will be one of the brightest in the history of England. Russia also will have great prosperity and will make great advance. Germany, especially north Germany, will have a hard time of darkness and suffering."

ROLLING ACROSS THE OCEAN.

The Curious Craft That Is Proposed by a French Engineer.

In these days of revolutionary projects in matters mechanical and scientific unusual engineering exploits have lost much of their tendency to create surprise. Still that sensation may be produced in a mild degree by the latest scheme of ocean transportation which has reached us from France, and which has M. Bazin, not unknown in engineering circles, for its author.

M. Bazin proposes, in brief, to build an Atlantic liner on eight rollers, with the view of securing speed much higher than any thus far attached, arguing that the wheels or rollers on which the vessel is to rest will so greatly diminish the resistance offered by the waves that 30 knots an hour will be easily within the bounds of possibility, and will enable the passage from Southampton or Liverpool to New York to be made in four days. The rollers are to enter the water to a depth of about 26 feet, and revolve within a platform placed about 24 feet above the water, so that there will be a rolling instead of gliding body, as is the case in ordinary ships. The rollers presumably are to be worked by engines to secure propulsion.

M. Bazin claims to have settled by experiment that the stability of the roller type of vessel is at least as great as that of the ordinary type, and believes that the construction of his design of ship will be much less costly than that of the usual description. According to French report, it is proposed to put M. Bazin's plans to a practical test by constructing a vessel about 400 feet long and of about 90 feet beam, with rollers 75 feet in diameter, and 35 feet wide. The latter are to make 22 revolutions per minute.—Cassiers' Magazine.

A MYSTERY OF DREAMLAND.

While the Doctors Were Helpless a Boy's Vision Effected His Cure.

In Savannah, Mo., last June, Thomas, the 11-year-old son of a farmer named Alexander Gilpin, was stricken with rheumatism of the right side and leg. The pain was so severe that his parents were obliged to keep anything from touching the body or limb. Drs. Martin, Kerr and Jefferies of Savannah could do nothing to stop the pain. On Thursday, Dec. 7, he fell into what seemed to be a trance and could not be aroused for some hours. When he finally awakened, being unable to talk, he wrote on a piece of paper to his parents that he had seen his two little dead brothers and sister. He said they told him to send to a certain field and at a particular place to scrape away the snow until they would find a bed of moss, and under the moss a bunch of roots, which they were to bring to him.

The doubting parents yielded to his entreaties, and going to the place found everything as the boy had stated. They brought the roots home, and the boy told them how he had been instructed to prepare an ointment with them. The ointment was made and applied to the seat of pain, the result being that the next day the boy left his bed. He can now walk as well as ever.

These facts are vouched for by O. J. Hurley, the editor of the Savannah Democrat, the physicians, and all of Gilpin's neighbors.—St. Joseph (Mo.) Dispatch in Chicago Herald.

Another Wisconsin Diamond.

Recently a young son of Charles Devine, who resides on a farm 2½ miles southwest of the village of Oregon, Dane county, Wis., found a brilliant little stone in a pebbly clay bank and carried it home as a curiosity. The father submitted it to William H. Hobbs, professor of mineralogy and metallurgy in the University of Wisconsin, and he said that it was a genuine diamond. It measures three-eighths of an inch in diameter, weighs four carats, and is a rhombic dodecahedron, with its 12 faces slightly rounded, one of the signs of a good stone. It was in the glacial drift and came of course from the north, where geologists have long insisted conditions exist favorable to diamond discoveries. This specimen is of good color and is worth perhaps $200.

This find recalls the big diamond found at Waukesha in 1884, which sold for $1,000, and about which extensive litigation occurred. Both finds are in the same drift. The Oregon diamond bed is among the Sugar river pearl fisheries of southern Dane county.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

A New Parisian Social Fad.

The latest fad in swell entertainments in Paris is a private variety show. In the salon, next month, of Baroness Morio de Isle, she will give a unique soiree to inaugurate her winter receptions. The great reception saloon will be converted into a music hall. Little marble tables will be placed here and there, and a stage will be erected at one end. Comic songs, skirt dances and other performances will be given by fashionable amateurs. Some of the guests, attired as waiters and waitresses, will wait on the others, and serve them to tea, coffee, beer and other refreshments.

A Long Tramp.

Boneta Rosalis, a Mexican, has arrived here, having walked all the way from Vera Cruz. He traveled up the coast to British Columbia and then followed the Canadian Pacific railroad to Manitoba, where he struck north into the woods. During the past sixth months he has not met any one who has understood his language, and he cannot speak English. His hands and feet are frozen. He is being taken care of in jail.—Winnipeg Special.

Infantile Duelists.

Two boys of 8 years, our Berlin correspondent learns, have fought a duel with pistols at Ghent in the presence of two other schoolboys, who acted as seconds. One of the boys is reported to have been killed by a shot through the head.—London News.

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J. W. Johnson is out again.

Jerome Johnson is slowly recovery.

Jesse Ringold is quite ill with la grippe.

Phil Jackson is visiting relatives in the city.

Oliver Stokes is visiting his sister in Anderson.

Miss Edna Harris has returned to school at Wilberforce, O.

Mrs. Carrie Stewart left for her home, Columbus, O , Thursday.

David Turner and Miss Sadie Shelton were married last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Turner have taken up their residence in Peru, Ind.

Maurice F. White is much improved in health.

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Miss Melline Hampton, of Green field, Ind., is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. Robt. P. Brown has returned to her home in St. Louis.

Miss Ida Brown, of Bloomington, Ind., is visiting relatives in the city this week.

Mrs. Ella Thompson, of St. Louis, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Harris.

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Mr. and Mrs. Will Mitchell, of Chicago, are in the city the guest of the Misses Clay, on W. North street.

"I have a message to the Prince"—Willie Hill, in Jepthah and his Daughter.

Parker and M cAfee were returned from Michigan City prison last Tuesday.

Allen Miller was found dead in bed last Monday morning. He was buried last Thursday.

The Daughters of Tabor will give a reception Monday night, at the residence of Mr. James Gibbs, S. Illinois street.

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Mrs. R. E. Edwards and Miss Florence J. Morton, of Richmond, Ind., were quite recently visitors of Miss Celia M. Bass, of N. West street.

"Strike where my young heart beats!"—Edna Gist, as Ipheginia, in "Jepthah and his Daughter," January 29th, at Masonic hall.

Wedding Bells.

Miss Emma Miller, of North Indianapolis, was married Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, to Mr. John Gardner. Rev. A. Simmonds officiating. Many guests were present and the presents were numerous and beautiful.

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Lost Relative.

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The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad have this season reduced the Winter Tourist rates to all points in Florida and other Southern States making it possible for everybody to spend the Winter in the sunny South. These rates are in effect from all points on or via the C. H. & D. R R. and passengers should ask for tickets by this route via Cincinnati. For further information address D. G. Edwards, General Passenger Agent, C. H. & D. R. R. Cincinnati, O., or H. J. Rhein, General Agent, Indianapolis, Ind.

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Read this Carefully.

Magnolia, Ark., Special.

Wednesday, Jan. 3d found me back t Atlanta, after a ramble of eleven days through Arkansas and a part of Mississippi. When I arrived back to my work I found The Freeman in the office awaiting my coming. It comes every Saturday as regular as the Saturday comes. And I would like to say to the subscribers that subscribed through me for The Freeman, instead of writing to me about your paper, write to the publisher, Geo. L. Knox, and he will find out the reason why you fail to get your paper. I received a letter from one of the subscribers not long since, saying that The Freeman would fail to reach all of the subscribers at that particular office some weeks. But he had never missed his from the first, he kept up so much noise about it. They had to hand it out, though they sometimes kept it several days over the time. So let me say to you all, when your paper fails to come, keep up a noise until it does come. The Freeman should be read by all lovers of the Negro race. It sells like hot cakes among our people. Wherever you go and show The Freeman, it takes. Though I have not had the time to show it a great deal lately, but will start my work again soon.

Respectfully,
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Thirty-first Anniversary.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special.

The revival services in progress at the M. E. church are meeting with a few accessions. Thos. G Williams has a $500 piano. Miss Leana May Cumberland, of Tipton, Ind., has returned home. A delightful surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Williams, in honor of her 31st anniversary. Many handsome and valuable presents were received. Music and games were features of the evening, supplemented by refreshments. Miss Cora Julics, of Marion, Ind, is the guest of Mrs. Emily Anderson. E C. Smith spent last week at Fostori, O., and was treated royally by the fair ones. Among those he met were Misses Cora Johnson, Anna Burke, Evalina Scott, Bertha Roberts, Romie Johnson, Jennie Scott, Nettie Marshall, Gracie Meadows and Mrs. Janie Smith. Miss Ida Stewart is visiting Mrs. Japp Rhodes. Ed. Jones the "Literary Lion," has organized a literary society. He desires all the young men and ladies to attend. Subscribe for The Freeman and stop borrowing it.

Entertained at High Tea.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Revs. T. Story, G. W. Hemphill and A. Niel attended the funeral of Mr. Charlie Evans on the 2nd. Mr. A. R. Winter has purchased a two-story brick store on Depot street; his wife is able to be out again, Mr. Jobe Mc Christian, of Louisville, Ky., is at home for a few days. Mrs. Mary Gather, of Nashville, is up to see her people. Miss Maggie S. Gosling, and aunt of Dr. Henry L. Gosling, is very sick; we hope she will soon recover; they are both of Washington, D C. On the 7th, we were royally entertained at high tea at the domicile o Mr. D A. Wilson and wife, their daughters, Miss Lucinda, Mrs E L Peacock and Mrs. Mary Gather; Guests: Mr. J. R. Hunter and wife; Mrs Queen Holland, of Chattanooga; Mr. C. H. S. Darnell, Miss C B. Trail, C. Davis, Dr. F. L. Overton and W. H Gosling. Miss Jones has returned to Nashville, Tenn. Rev R. A. Hill is very sick. Messrs. James Thompson, Williom Gilliland and William Cowan are at work in the store. Mrs. Lizzie Little is better. Miss Polly Troxley is taking music. Mr G. W. Doxey made a nice wedding cake. Mrs. Tom Davis is a very good sick nurse. Three cheers for Bishop Turner. Long may The Freeman live to sow the seed and spread the light. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

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McMinnville, Tenn., Special.

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J. W. Woodlee read a paper and said, "as the multitudes increased caste prejudice and race disadvantages multiplied, and the quickest and most peaceful solution for the Negro problem was by emigration or coloniza tion" Rev. J. A. Bryant made an address and advised the acquisition of wealth. He thought wealth would do more to bring about social equality and civil rights than religion or anything else had done. Rev. F. W. Puryear made the closing talk and spoke of the opposition the great M. E. church had made against slavery before the war, the evils perpetrated upon our ancestors, and thought we were here to stay to push and to fight our way to success and recognition. Forty four young ladies had been appointed to represent the forty-four states. Each had the name of the state she represented inscribed on ribbon pinned diagonally across the breast. They arranged themselves in a semi-circular form in the church and each read or recited a short piece about the state she represented, giving its area, its population, wealth, meaning, when first settled and when admitted into the Union. The audience then stood and sung "John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the grave."

Social Club Entertainment.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Chattanooga's younger "400" has the lead in society. On Thursday evening, Jan. 4th. the Lilac social club gave a grand entertainment at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Jones, on Burch street. Dancing and games were the main features of the evening. The grand march was led by Mr. Will Allen and Daisy Lowndes. Among those present were: Misses Nellie Heggie, Addie Streater, Flossie Jackson, Daisy Lowndes, Lucy and Martha Porter, Susie Massenburg, Alberta Lewis, Gertrude Jackson and Kate M. Daugherty; Messrs. Will Allen, of Nashville, Tenn. I. Bliss White, J. Thos. Clay, Alex D. Kelly, John W. Dunaway, Noble P. Willis, J. Walter Stafford, Chas Wallace, Geo. Holly, Jno. W. Battles, T R Cross, J. H. Jarret, Chas. Strickland and Whit T. Massengale.

The entertainment given by Mrs. Jim Whitemer was very grand and all who attended had a very pleasant time. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mayes are on the sick list this week. Mr. Dan Elliot and his bride are stopping with A. W. Wright, on Grove street. Miss Ida Carter and Master Bertie Carter have returned from quite a pleasant trip to Huntsville, Ala. Messers. John Howard and Geo. Hennessey, of Louisville, Ky., passed through the city last week, enroute for Huntsville, Ala. Mrs O. H. Johnson is improving.

Killed by a Passing Train.

Springfield, Ill., Special.

Mr. Oliver, of the "Leland," has been having an attack of neuralgia. Thos. Coleman has returned to his home in Macon City, Mo Mrs. Frances Eusan is improving in health. Luther King is home again. John Curtis has been sick for two weeks. Nancy Holman, an old colored woman, was struck by a train on New Year's day, and died an hour afterwards. Mrs. Adaline Smith died Jan 5th, at the age of 44 years. She leaves a husband, brother, sister. Mrs. Ella Miles received word from Centralia last Saturday, announcing the death of her father, James Fizer. Rev. James Thomas, of Quincy, filled the pulpit at Union Baptist church last Sunday. Anyone desiring anything in the book line would do well to see The Freeman agent. G. W. Birdsong has turned his attention to his barber shop. Rev. J. H. Meadows, of the Zion church. reports a successful series of meetings, The Trustee's rally at St. John's Mission last Sunday, was a success. Rev. T. E. Wilson, of St. Paul's A. M. E. church, filled the pulpit at Zion Baptist church last Sunday. Collection for the day was $45. Forty-two persons stood up to be prayed for at the little Mission church last Sunday,

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Tuesday evening of last week was eventful in Oberlin social life. The occasion was a complimentary evening party tendered the young ladies by the young men of the town and college. The spacious parlors of Mrs. Cowans, of Groveland street, where thrown open to the gay assemblage of young people, and under brilliant lights and amid inviting surroundings they whiled away the hours. An elaborate but tasty menu was prepared by the committee of arrangements, who also presented a supper table so beautifully dressed as to call forth unstinted praise. After doing justice to the viands of the table, Mr. D. C. Moon, acting as toast-master, announced the toasts which were responded to in fitting and eloquent manner as follows: "Our Girls," W. H. Dawley; "College Life," Miss Ida Gibbs; "Georgia," A M. Steele, of Savannah; "Our Boys," Miss Maud Mason; "Virginia," A. W. Williams; "How to get on in Life" Rev. Bond; "Our Hostess," G. W. M. Lucas.

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Peoria, Ill., Special.

Rev. E. Roey, of Braidwood, Ill., preached at the Baptist church Monday night. Rev. P. J. Jackson, of Lawrence, Kan., was in the city Sunday. The Lord's supper was administered at Zion Baptist church last Sunday night. Miss Emma Downing is quite sick with the grip. Mr. and Mrs. Whit Blackwell have adopted a girl. Mr. M. V. Scales left for Cairo, Ill.; he will be absent a few weeks. Misses Maralia and Lillie Johnson visiting Mrs. Conway, have returned to their home. Mr. Robt. Moody and wife have returned from Eureka. The Zion Baptist Sunday school is now held at 9 o'clock. Miss Maggie Sullivan has returned home. Mrs Matilda Harris has accepted the position of matron at the Union depot. Mrs. Jackson, of Waverly, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Franklin, on Fischer street. Mrs. Ellen Ball returned to her home at Dayton, O., this week. Rev. Coulston, Springfield, was in the city last Monday.

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